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JUNE PROTECTIVE WORK

WARNING

CHECK COUNTERFEITER PROFITS \$7800

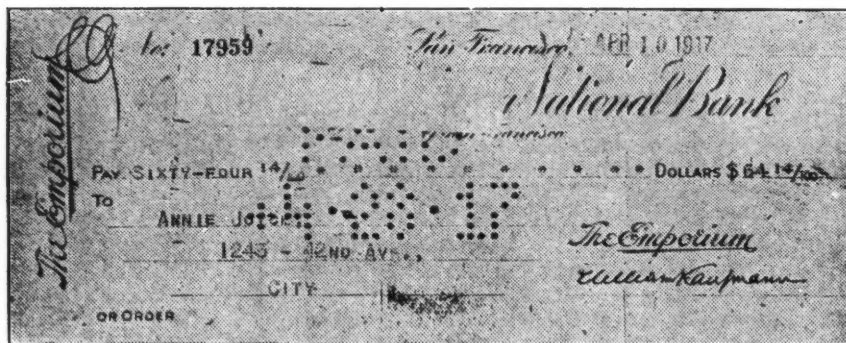
E. Conway secures \$64 check of San Francisco department store, presents photo-engraved duplicate in amount of \$7,800 at bank where he carried a respected account, draws out funds for full amount before forgery is discovered and flees

The cleverest instance of the ability of a criminal hand that has come to the attention of this department in many a day was recorded during the month past by a San Francisco, Cal., member bank. E. Conway is the name used by this clever forger; and he is still a free man. Therefore it would be well for members to read this article carefully, to familiarize themselves with Conway's description and his characteristic handwriting. A few moments' attention may avoid a loss of a few thousand dollars.

On February 26, he opened an account in a San Francisco bank by \$3,000 cash deposit. Shortly thereafter he appeared at a local department store and declared that one Anna Joyce, demonstrator of toilet articles, had a job lot of toilet articles for sale and wanted to know if the store would buy them. He made a price which impressed the store as being too high. They succeeded in bringing him down to a lower price. Before Conway would close the bargain, however, he preferred to communicate with Miss Joyce. He went to a phone and when he returned declared that everything was satisfactory. The sale was made.

opened his account. He was a thorough business man, he had a manner of doing things brisk and clean cut. All his deposits were made in cash.

A week after he had dealt with the department store Conway deposited at the bank a check similar to the one mailed to Anna Joyce. But in this instance, the amount of the check was \$7,800. The check was not drawn against the bank where he kept his account. It was therefore forwarded to the bank drawn upon and paid to Conway's bank. On May 7 Conway drew out \$3,000. On May 9 he made a drawing of \$4,740. The day following \$1,300 was withdrawn. This cleaned out his entire account. At this time the department store received the \$7,800 check. They could not "place" it. True, it was theirs—it bore the signature of their treasurer, was filled in by the same type as their typewriter, the imprint of the date stamp and the imprint of the stamp used in numbering the check were the same. But they had not issued the check—of this they were certain. This of course put an investigation afoot. Incidentally it was proved that the \$7,800 check was an entire forgery; that the printing on this check was photo-engraved by the zincographic method directly from the genuine check issued to Anna Joyce in amount of \$64.14. The engraver left certain cross marks or defects on the last letter "m" in the word "Emporium," which fact identifies the engraving as a copy. The forger secured the services of a typewriter similar to that used by the store. He likewise chose his stamps to correspond to those used on the genuine check. The signature "William Kaufmann" was transparently traced with a fountain pen against a glass plate or window pane. The only material deviation from

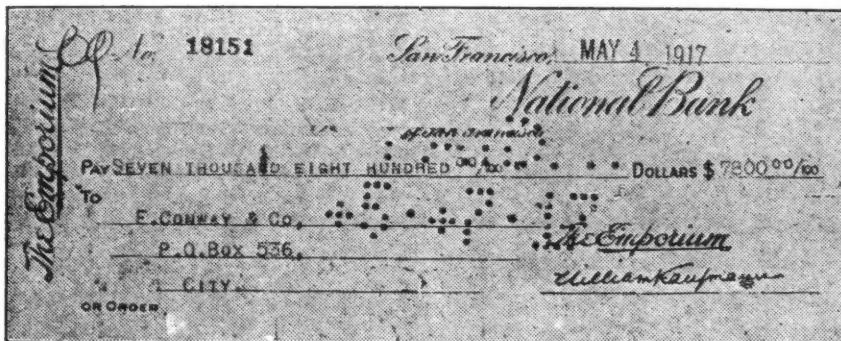


Conway made request that check to cover the transaction be mailed to Anna Joyce at a given address, but before they had time to take this action a letter was received from Conway directing them to send the check to a post office box. They complied with a \$64 check, as reproduced here. Meanwhile Conway had succeeded in acquiring the respect and confidence of all those with whom he came in contact at the bank in which he had

Anna Joyce

E. Conway & Co.

E. Conway



E. Conway & Co.

E. Conway

the true signature was the misplacing of the two dots over the "i's" in "William." The quality of the check paper is practically the same. It is apparent that this forger has been in the lithographing or printing business, as this is a first-class piece of work. Inasmuch as the check was paid by the bank drawn upon they are now held responsible for this loss. Conway has disappeared. There is evidently no "Anna Joyce."

On May 17 Conway visited a San Francisco hotel. He declared that he had just closed out a small grocery store and had five sacks of sugar to sell. He offered the sugar at such a ridiculously low price that the hotel man at once made the purchase, paying Conway by check. It is conceivable that he was planning to treat the hotel check as he did the department store check. Why no operation was made we are at a loss to understand. Possibly certain difficulties in duplicating this check could not be overcome. We repeat—Conway may be about to "land" another bank. Members throughout the country would do well to memorize this description and acquaint themselves with his handwriting. Such interest may prevent a similar operation as that in which this San Francisco bank stands loser. Conway is 45 years, 5 feet 5 inches, 156 pounds, medium stout, has dark blue eyes, dark hair and complexion, stubby mustache.

SHORT CHANGE ARTIST WORKING

Deft-handed individual short changes Oklahoma City and Memphis bank tellers

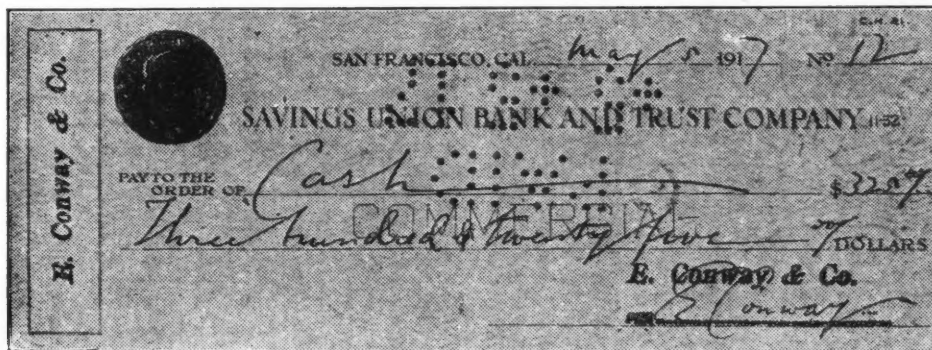
In our May issue we warned of a short change artist who had taken up operations against banks. This man recently

victimized two member banks, one at Oklahoma City, Okla., and the other at Memphis, Tenn. He became \$50 richer in each transaction. An Elkhart, Ind., bank says the following of this individual: "A very clever short-change game is being worked by a man about twenty-eight years of age, 5 feet 8 inches in height, weighing about 130 lbs., and dark complexioned. This party enters the bank bareheaded, sleeves rolled up and pen behind his ear, giving the impression that he has just run in for change and in this instance worked the following trick. He asked for ten dollars worth of halves, four tens and a fifty in exchange for a hundred dollar bill, which were given him. Then he fishes another ten out of his vest pocket and says, "Would you mind giving me a fifty for these five tens?" which he starts to shove over the counter at the same time you start to give him a fifty. Then without letting loose of his money he remarks that he is sorry but if it isn't too much bother he would like to have his hundred back and shoves his five tens and the fifty which you have just placed on the counter, in exchange of a hundred. We presume that immediately after leaving the building he probably pulls a cap from under his coat or out of his pocket and puts it on, thereby making himself less conspicuous."

ESCAPES FROM INSANE ASYLUM

Individual recently sentenced to penitentiary for bank robbery, then transferred to asylum, has made escape

EDWIN VON WALDEN, who on August 30, 1916, held up and robbed of \$8,159.10 the Anglo California Trust Co., San Francisco, Cal., is today a free man. We have related in these columns how Von Walden was captured after a wild auto ride, how he was convicted after a short trial in which he acted as his own attorney, and sentenced to ten years' imprisonment in





EDWIN VON WALDEN

the California Penitentiary at Folsom. Following this action Von Walden was removed to the State Hospital for Insane, Stockton. On April 13, he succeeded in making his escape from that institution. The Michigan State Prison officers tell of a successful escape that Von Walden made from their prison while under sentence on a similar charge. This man is a dangerous individual to have at liberty and any action that our members take to guard themselves against a possible attack at his hands will be entirely fitting. He is 23 years, 5 feet 11½ inches, 139 pounds, of slender build; has medium chestnut hair, blue eyes. Bertillon measurements: 81.2 87.0 93.0 19.7 14.2 13.7 6.4 27.3 12.4 9.6 47.7. Prints: 27/23 IM/00 = 15.

H. F. ANDERSON. On April 10 this man, dressed as a cowboy, appeared at a member bank of Williams, Ariz., in the company of a depositor. The latter transacted some business with the bank, when both men departed. Shortly thereafter, Anderson reappeared in the bank and asked cash on a check drawn against the Farmers' Bank, Eugene, Ore. The indorsement of a responsible party was requested, whereupon Anderson declared that he would secure the signature of the depositor with whom he had left the bank. The latter happened to be standing directly opposite the bank in view of the teller when Anderson returned with the check. Consequently, the teller did not examine the endorsement, but promptly handed out the cash that the check called for. If he had, he would have recognized it at once as a rank forgery. Anderson's check was returned as bogus. He is 26 years, of dark complexion; has a scar on his forehead.

T. G. ATTEBERRY, formerly employed as special agent by the Western Union Life Insurance, Spokane, Wash., is wanted by a member at Almira, Wash. Atteberry has fleeced this member by securing cash on a \$150 check against the City National, Bismarck, N. D. The check is worthless. He is 40 years, 5 feet 10 inches, 145 pounds, of slim build; has sandy hair and mustache.

T. L. BEAN, ranch owner of San Simon, Ariz., whose credit has heretofore been the best, is now sought on charges of having fleeced an El Paso member by worthless check drawn on the San Simon Valley Bank, San Simon, Ariz. Bean victimized also several neighboring jewelers in large amounts with similar checks, also an auto dealer at El Paso. He purchased with check a second hand Dodge auto, number 53668, motor 103030. Bean is 45 years, 5 feet 8 inches, 180 pounds, of good build, ruddy complexion; index finger on one hand missing.

J. R. BROWN. The Grand Avenue Bank, St. Louis, Mo., on May 25 rendered abortive the endeavors of one J. R. Brown, alias Wood, to swindle the bank by a check which he had raised from \$1.22 to \$261.00. The check was given to Brown by a depositor residing in St. Louis. The latter declares that Brown spoke much of his "extensive oil interests" at Sand Springs,

Oklahoma. When the check was presented at the bank its unusually large amount awoke the suspicions of the teller, who attempted to verify the validity of the check by telephone. The depositor told of the check's being issued for \$1.22. While the teller was "playing" with Brown for time, a bank employee was searching for an officer. Impatient at the delay Brown walked out the back door and took to his heels. He was pursued, but outstripped his followers. Is 25 to 30 years, 5 feet 10 inches, 160 pounds, of dark complexion (either pock-marked or sunburned); has dark eyes and hair; appearance of a clerk.

J. R. Brown

C. H. CLARK. This man recently operated against a member at Kansas City, Mo. On entering the bank he requested to see the president, whom he claimed to know intimately, declaring that he had a check of \$3 to cash. The president was out of the bank at the time, but the vice-president, considering that Clark was good, instructed the latter to make out his check for \$5. Clark did so and obtained the cash. The president says he does not know the man. The check, drawn on the Fourth National, Wichita, Kan., was returned as bogus. Clark is 42 years, 5 feet 9 inches, 190 pounds.

C. B. COWN. Through a well planned and executed scheme at the hands of this man a Texas member bank is today suffering a loss of \$1,260. On or about January 15, 1917, Cown opened an account at the interested bank with a cash deposit of \$500. He claimed to be a farmer of the vicinity. Several days later he again came to the bank to declare that he wanted the money transferred from the latter bank. The transfer was made. When he made his next appearance he explained that he had a chance to make a little money trading stock and that he wanted to borrow \$400 on a thirty day note. Without making investigation the bank loaned Cown this money. Shortly thereafter he took up the note. His next request was for \$500, which was granted and the note taken up immediately thereafter. An \$800 transaction followed which was taken care of in the same way by Cown. The prompt manner in which Cown settled his obligations readily won for him the confidence of the bank officials. Consequently when on May 10 Cown asked a loan of \$1,260 a note was at once prepared and the amount of the note placed to his credit. On May 15 a check for his balance, \$1,260, was sent in for collection by a Van Alstyne, Tex., bank and was paid at once by the interested member. Several days later Cown again visited the bank to borrow \$1000 with which he intended to close a stock deal. The bank man preferred to pass judgment on the stock before the loan would be made. Cown declared that the stock was at Denison, Tex., and wanted to be accompanied there to prove his assertions. This could not be arranged at that moment, whereupon Cown made an appointment for that afternoon at Denison. When the bank man reached Denison he could not find Cown nor the alleged stock. An investigation was made but no trace of Cown was secured. At Van Alstyne, Cown, under the name of A. R. Rocks, had opened an account with check on the defrauded member. At Denison, as T. C. Smith, he had committed similar action. Cown is 30 years, 5 feet 8 inches, 160 pounds, of medium build; has florid (tanned) complexion, medium brown hair, gray eyes; appearance of a farmer.

H. H. CURTIS, blacksmith, had swindled a member at Miami, Okla., by passing a check with a forged indorsement. He is 45 years, 5 feet 9 inches, 170 pounds.



HOWARD C. CURTIS

We are in receipt of the following letter from a member bank at Pontiac, Ill., dated June 20, 1917: "We are enclosing herewith photo of one Howard C. Curtis, alias C. M. Reed, alias P. C. Boileau, an ex-convict of the Illinois State Reformatory of this city, whose number was 9800. This party stole from that institution several checks of a printed form, used and counter-signed by Z. T. Trumbo, Chief Clerk, and W. C. Graves, General Superintendent, forging their signatures. His method of operation is generally through a hotel. He has drawn checks for amounts of \$100 and as high as \$268.85. He generally represents himself as an officer of that institution (such as parole officer, etc.). These checks run in series numbers 22000 and 23000 and are printed on white paper, payable at Pontiac State Bank, Pontiac, Ill. He operated at Decatur, Ill., January 6 and Indianapolis, Ind., January 9. On May 27 he was at Cincinnati, O., and a few days later at Atlanta, Ga. Mr. C. M. Reed is parole agent of the Reformatory located at Chicago, Ill. Curtis has represented himself as Reed."

R. A. EZZELL, old school chum of the vice-president of a Texarkana bank, has on these grounds been enabled to perpetrate an alleged fraud against the bank. Visiting the bank at a time when the vice-president was out, Ezzell approached the latter's son, then on duty, and presented a check purporting to be issued by his business partner, O. S. Maiden, on the North Memphis Savings Bank, Memphis, Tenn. When the son hesitated Ezzell told of the "old days" when dad and he attended school. It worked. The check was cashed and eventually returned marked "no funds." Ezzell is 40 years, 5 feet 7 inches, 150 pounds; of medium build; has gray hair and steel gray eyes; his left leg is crippled, causing a noticeable limp.

Fred Ferry

FRED FERRY, Americanized Italian, is alleged to have defrauded a member at Penn's Grove, N. J., by check to which he forged a depositor's signature. Ferry is said to have secured the latter's signature by representing himself as an agent of the registrar.

J. A. HARDEMAN has fleeced a member at Murphy, N. C., by bogus check drawn against the First National, Cartersville, Ga.

W. A. HARSHAM is wanted by a member at Parsons, Kans., on a charge of defrauding by mortgage swindle. Harsham secured loan on an automobile not his property. Harsham from January to July, 1916, was employed at Parsons by a paper concern from whom he embezzled funds. For that offense he was convicted and sentenced to four years but immediately paroled with the understanding that he must repay. Harsham, upon regaining his liberty, left the vicinity and was not heard from previous to his operation against the Parsons bank.

CHARLES HIGGINS. On May 5, Arthur L. Marks, a produce merchant of San Bernardino, Cal., mailed a check for \$254.16 to the produce firm of Weyl & Zuckerman, Los Angeles, Cal. It was made to the order of Weyl & Zuckerman and drawn on a member bank of Santa Barbara. On May 7, a Charles Higgins presented this check at the Santa Barbara bank. It bore the purported indorsement of Weyl & Zuckerman, also the indorsement of Charles Higgins. The check was cashed. Developments indicate that Weyl & Zuckerman did not receive the check in question; furthermore, their post office box was rifled on May 6. It is thought that the one who robbed the box, presented the check at the bank for payment. Charles Higgins is 28 years, 5 feet 9 inches, 155 pounds; has dark hair, dark eyes, dark complexion; is smooth shaven, and has the appearance of a farmer. The California Bankers Association is co-operating with this Association by financing an investigation.

PAT KELLUM, painter and paperhanger, is sought by our agents in behalf of a member at Kansas City, Mo. On June 9 Kellum appeared at this bank accompanied by his uncle, a depositor at the bank. The latter introduced Kellum, whereupon the bank, without securing their depositor's indorsement, cashed three checks presented by Kellum. Each check was drawn on the bank member, which is loser. Kellum is 47 years, 5 feet 8 inches, 150 pounds; has light complexion and hair.

THEODORE MARKS on May 29 opened a checking account with a Toledo, Ohio member. Eventually he deposited a \$100 check on the Mid City Trust & Savings, Chicago, and drew out its equivalent in cash, thereby exhausting his account. The \$100 check is a forgery.

W. J. MASK is wanted by a member at Earle, Ark., on a charge of negotiating a bogus check. Mask is believed to be now employed at a logging camp. The check is drawn on the McClintock Banking Co., Marianna, Ark.

J. W. NELSON has had printed a supply of checks on H. W. Kastor & Sons, St. Louis, Mo., drawn against the Merchants Laclede National Bank, St. Louis, Mo. He has operated in Wisconsin and Minnesota during the winter past and recently has made his appearance in Kansas. Individuals rather than banks have suffered

C. A. PERKINS, known also as C. A. Price, by forging an indorsement to a check which he is alleged to have stolen from the mails, and having it cashed by a New Orleans, La., merchant, has thus victimized a New Orleans member. The latter did not detect the forgery when the check was presented by the merchant and paid upon it. Perkins has recently been paroled from the Louisiana Penitentiary. He is of fair complexion, has gray eyes, brown hair, protruding chin, outstanding ears.

D. PRICE. During May a man who gave this name made a purchase of a Portland, Ore., merchant and extended in payment a check drawn on a local member bank, payable to D. Price, signed J. B. Howell. Before turning over the articles to Price, the merchant called at the bank to verify the check's

character. Through error of a bank employee the check was cashed for the merchant. J. B. Howell carries no account at the bank. The goods were of course given to Price and the bank has lost through the transaction. Price, alias Howell is 40 years, 6 feet, 155 pounds, of dark complexion. The Oregon Bankers Association is co-operating with this Association in the financing of this investigation.

J B Howell

JOE SCHWARTZ is sought by our agents on a charge of having passed a forged check at Texarkana, Ark. The check, bearing the forged signature of a local member bank depositor, was cashed at a shoe store and was paid the latter by the bank on presentment. Schwartz is 60 years, 5 feet 9 inches, 130 pounds; of slender build; does farm work; uses intoxicating liquors.

BEN SILVER, alias Ben Silber, recently defrauded a member at Vallejo, Cal., by passing several checks to which he had forged a depositor's signature. Is 25 years, 5 feet, 130 pounds, of slender build; has dark hair, eyes and complexion; is a German Hebrew, a porter, and appears as an Italian or Greek. The California Bankers Association is co-operating with this Association in the financing of this investigation.

D. E. SULLIVAN has victimized two members of Denver, Colo. He opened accounts with small cash deposits, later depositing a worthless check which he drew against, previous to the banks being notified of the true character of his check. When opening the accounts Sullivan used the names of two Denver business men.

D E Sullivan

TWAIN SULLIVAN, until recently located at Chester, Mont., has fleeced a local member out of \$360 by mortgaging cattle not his property. He is 23 years, 5 feet 8 inches, smooth shaven, has black bushy hair.

RAY WILKINS (colored) has defrauded a member at Shawnee, Okla., by passing a forged check.

FRANK WILSON. Recently a man of this name made a purchase of a candy store at Denver, Colo., in payment of which he tendered a salary check purporting to bear the signature of the proprietor of a local auto and repair shop. The check was accepted and later paid by the member bank drawn upon. The alleged payer has repudiated his signature appearing on the instrument as a forgery. Frank Wilson is not known to the auto shop officials. The member bank is loser. Wilson is 22 to 25 years, 5 feet 7 inches, 135 pounds.

GENERAL

BANK ROBBERS PAY PENALTY

Long prison terms are netted to men who attacked banks

In past issues we have related of the operations and arrests of bank robbers who worked at Oronogo and Fairview, Mo., Lockport, Ill., Rosedale, Kans., etc. At that time we were not



ROY DAUGHERTY

in possession of photographs of these men. Believing that it will meet with the interest of those who have followed the reports of their work as published in the JOURNAL Supplement we are reproducing a number of photographs just received. It is possible also that further identification of these photos may thus be made.

J. B. CUTLER, WILLARD MASSEE, ALBERT JOHNSON and ROY DAUGHERTY on January 15, 1917, held up and robbed of \$5,000 the First National, Fairview, Mo. On December 13, 1916, these men had also robbed the Farmers & Miners Bank, Oronogo, Mo., of \$2,468.25. On February 17, at Joplin, Mo., local officers succeeded in "netting" the four robbers. They pleaded guilty at once to the Fairview job. Cutler received a sentence of four years in the Missouri State Penitentiary; Daugherty eight years; Massee six years; Johnson six years. They are now serving their terms.

J. B. CUTLER, restaurant man, is 23 years, 5 feet 6½ inches, of slim build; has dark hair, slate eyes, medium-dark complexion. Bertillon: 69.5 71.0 90.0 18.6 14.4 13.3 6.1 25.9 11.0 8.8 44.2.

ROY DAUGHERTY is 47 years, 5 feet 7 inches, 117 pounds, chestnut hair (graying), chestnut-slate eyes. Bertillon: 70.5 70.0 91.4 18.6 15.7 13.8 6.5 25.6 11.5 8.8 45.6.

WILLARD MASSEE, chauffeur, is 40 years, 5 feet 10½ inches, 169 pounds; has black hair (graying), blue eyes. Bertillon: 79.8 95.0 91.4 20.0 15.5 13.9 6.6 28.6 12.7 9.9 51.8.

ALBERT JOHNSON, miner, is 41 years, 5 feet 7¼ inches, 153 pounds; has dark-gray hair, chestnut eyes. Bertillon: 70.8 74.0 91.3 18.8 15.3 14.2 6.7 25.9 11.6 8.8 46.8.

THOMAS MURRAY, FRANK ALLEN and THOMAS GOWRAN are now serving time in the Illinois State Penitentiary following their implication in the attempted hold-up of the First National, Lockport, Ill., which took place on February



J. B. CUTLER



ALBERT JOHNSON



THOMAS MURRAY



WILLARD MASSEE



THOMAS GOWRAN

16, 1917. Gowran, saloonist, did not take an active part in the attempt. He laid the plans for Murray and Allen and furnished them with his auto for the get-away. As will be recalled by readers of this JOURNAL Supplement, Murray and Allen rushed into the bank and demanded those present to hold up their hands. To frighten them into complying, Murray pointed his gun to the ceiling and endeavored to fire. But the trigger refused to work. The gun was locked. Thereupon the tables were turned upon the two, and in their excitement they broke for the door. A short ride in which bank officers, clerks, citizens and police took part, was brought to an end by the capture of Murray and Allen. The latter turned state's evidence and uncovered Gowran. The three men pleaded guilty and Murray and Gowran received sentences of 1 to 14 years. Allen was released.



FRANK ALLEN

THOMAS GOWRAN, alias "Dassy" Gowran is 39 years, 5 feet 4¼ inches, 127 pounds, medium build; has gray eyes, broken nose, medium-gray hair; was born in Illinois. Bertillon: 63.2 70.0 85.1 19.3 14.8 6.4 25.9 11.0 8.8 44.8.

THOMAS MURRAY, alias Thomas Van Buren, alias Thomas Warren, alias Thomas Kennedy, is 25 years, 5 feet 8½ inches, 160 pounds; has chestnut light hair, blue eyes. Was born in Montana and is a painter by trade. Bertillon: 74.2 70.1 93.9 20.1 15.8 6.8 26.1 11.3 9.1 45.2.

FRANK ALLEN (true name Walter C. Baker) is 19 years, 5 feet 10 inches, 155 pounds, of medium build; has sallow complexion, brown eyes, brown hair. No bertillon taken.

EARL BARTON with the assistance of W. J. Crowley, alias Caughley, on November 8, 1916 held up and robbed of \$1,080 the Security State Bank, Rosedale, Kans. At Kansas City, Mo., on December 5, 1916, Barton was captured. He revealed information as to Crowley's whereabouts at St. Louis, Mo., and the arrest of the latter was accomplished. They confessed to the crime charged against them, but succeeded in being paroled without sentence. Since his parole, Barton has been arrested three times at Kansas City on minor charges.



EARL BARTON

However, they have resulted in his being sentenced to the penitentiary at Lansing, Kans. for a term of one to five years. He is now confined there. Crowley is believed to be with relations in western Kansas. We have no picture of the latter. Barton

is 23 years, 5 feet 8½ inches, 157 pounds; has light, chestnut hair, slate gray eyes, sandy complexion. He was born at Union City, Ohio, and has worked as a common laborer. Bertillon: 74.0 74.0 95.5 19.0 14.2 11.6 6.3 25.9 11.3 9.1 45.0. Prints: 21/18 0/10 = 5. JOURNAL Supplement, January, 1917, page 107, February, 1917, page 128.



JOE DAVIS

JOE DAVIS. This man is one of Oklahoma's most notorious characters. If the ill deeds of Joe Davis were written in book form they would fill a volume. In the reports of crime which we have received for a dozen years back from our agents in Oklahoma and vicinity the name Joe Davis has persisted. Davis has been an active member of the deadly Henry Starr bank robber band. In fact, while that gang was running at its highest pace, the ranch of Joe Davis was their safest rendezvous. Davis, on November 27, 1916, was captured at Muskogee, Okla., by Federal and railroad officers. He was immediately turned over to Arizona authorities and convicted of train hold-up and robbery. Twenty-one years at the Federal Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kans., was his sentence. He was received at the prison on April 14, 1917. This man is a son of Jack Davis who is also under a long sentence for train robbery. Joe is 25 years, 5 feet 9¾ inches, 155 pounds; has medium chestnut hair, gray eyes. Bertillon: 76.1 77.0 91.7 19.5 14.8 14.0 6.1 27.2 12.1 9.6 46.2.

NAMED HERSHEY CHOCOLATE CO.

Rhode Island member is victimized by paying on check presented by impostor

Claiming to be a salesman for the Hershey Chocolate Company, and that he had just done business with a local firm, Dwight Baker recently presented to a Rhode Island member a \$150 check on the First National, Newark, N. J., payable to Dwight Baker, signed Hershey Chocolate Co., and requested cash in return. When the teller hesitated, Baker remarked that he should communicate with the local firm and they would verify his connections. This was done and the information received that Baker had sold them a bill of goods to be delivered by the Hershey Chocolate Co. On the strength of this Baker's check was cashed. In appreciation, Baker gave the teller a half-dozen packages of Hershey's chewing gum. This check was returned by the Newark bank marked "no account." The name, Dwight Baker, could not be found upon the payrolls of the Hershey Company or on the lists of their agents. Our detective agents have identified Dwight Baker as James Leland mentioned in February, 1917, Supplement, as follows: "Under date of January 16, a member at Wilkes-Barre, Pa., wrote this department as follows:



JAMES LEland

"We desire to bring to your attention a matter involving what seems to be a bogus check for \$100 issued by a certain gentleman claiming to be a representative of the Procter & Gamble Co., of Cincinnati, Ohio. This gentleman, who gave the name of James Leland, called at the home of Mr. Richard J. Evan, an advertising distributor of this city, and represented that he was an agent of the Procter & Gamble Co. He arranged with Mr. Evan for a house to house distribution of 15,000 Crisco samples in this city. He carried with him a number of samples of this article and also samples of Ivory soap which he indicated he would want distributed here later. After ingratiating himself with Mr. Evan, he asked him to accompany him to a bank and identify him in order that he might get his salary and expense check cashed. Mr. Evan apparently allowing the very promising outlook of a large business contract to influence him, allowed himself to do this and came here to our bank and identified the gentleman as Mr. James Leland, and also endorsed the check with him. Mr. Evan is a thoroughly hard-working and honest gentleman, but not possessed of very much means, and our teller, who had heretofore cashed a great many checks for Mr. Evan, accepted his endorsement and cashed the check. It has been returned to us, protested, and we now have it in our possession and learn that it is undoubtedly a bogus check. It is made out on the Columbia Trust Company of New Jersey, Hoboken, N. J., and the check used is one of their checks printed up with pantograph protection, bearing the imprint of a die of the company. The body of the check is made out with a typewriter and the name of the company on the signature line is also put in with the typewriter and signed, 'per Henry S. Lathan.' In addition to this there is also on the end of the check the typewritten words, 'The Procter & Gamble Co.' accompanied by the same signature, 'Henry S. Lathan.'" Dwight Baker, alias James Leland, was arrested on April 7, 1917, in New York city as Louis Weinfield and returned to Wilkes-Barre, where he succeeded in settling the case against him. His picture, strange to say, was not identified at Rhode Island, therefore no action was taken to have him returned there. He admitted having been arrested in 1913 at Boston, Mass., at which time he passed twenty-eight bogus checks throughout the New England states. He is 49 years, 5 feet 5 inches, 140 pounds; has dark eyes, freckled face.

FORD M. BOOTH, alias C. W. French, recently endeavored to victimize a hotel at New York, N. Y., by bogus check drawn on the Broadway National, Richmond, Va. He is known to have operated in other cities. Is 50 years, 5 feet 7 inches, 170 pounds.

J. A. BUTZ. Forged checks of the Midland Lumber Co., Baltimore, have been cashed at Cambridge and Salisbury, Md., also Dover, Del. They are made payable in the names, J. A. Butz, George Erwin, William Trimble, etc. Operator is 5 feet 7 inches, 120 pounds; has appearance of a Hebrew.

O. N. CARY. Checks made payable in this name on the Park Trust Co., Worcester, Mass., signed, "The O. Marcus Co., B.B.M.," have been cashed throughout Minnesota, Nebraska, Kentucky and Pennsylvania. The Park Trust brands them as utterly bogus. The amounts vary from \$10 to \$20. No banks have suffered.

CHARLES F. COOKE. On May 31 this man was employed as stock salesman by a firm at Pittsburgh, Pa. He was directed on his route but before leaving, he asked to be introduced to a bank where he might cash a draft, stating he would need the money for expenses. Cooke declared he was a stranger in Pittsburgh having just arrived from Sapulpa, Okla. The draft in amount of \$100 was on the Farmers & Merchants Bank of Sapulpa. He was taken to a local bank, introduced and his draft indorsed. It has been returned as worthless. The bank suffers no loss. Our October issue says of this operator: "A. L. Wilson, alias J. A. Whitely, has operated recently with bogus cashier's drafts in the vicinity of Sturgeon Bay, Wis. They are drawn on the Farmers & Merchants Bank (non-existent), Sapulpa, Okla., to the National Bank of Commerce (non-existent), Kansas City, Mo. They are printed on a yellow paper and bear a picture of the alleged Farmers Bank. He is now using the alias of G. L. Wilson." Is 35 years, 5 feet 8 inches, 170 pounds, of stocky build.

EUGENE DOYLE. A check made payable in this name, signed Donovan & Doyle, has been returned by the Hibernian Bank & Trust Co., Chicago, to a bank at Greenville, S. C., as "no account." Donovan & Doyle is a theatrical concern.

HARRY F. DUNCAN, who carries printed cards proclaiming him a representative of Cooper & Holland, manufacturers at Pansey, Ala., has succeeded in realizing on several bogus checks. Duncan called upon merchants, made selections of goods, tendered checks on the aforesaid manufacturers which he characterized as his salary checks, then displayed his card on Cooper & Holland. The First National, Ashford, Ala., on whom his checks are drawn declares that the account of Cooper & Holland has been closed since 1915. It is reported, but not verified, that this operator has been arrested at Greenville, S. C.

HARRY E. DURBIN, alias W. W. Goodman, alias E. C. Brown, is reported by the State Bank of Effingham, Kans., as drawing bogus checks on their forms. Merchants have suffered by accepting the checks. The operator is 25 years, 5 feet 7 inches, 150 pounds.

LYTTLETON C. EDWARDS is wanted by the police of Baltimore, Md. Edwards has visited their city and victimized a large number of merchants with bogus checks on the Peoples Bank, Reedville, Va., and the Lancaster National, Irvington, Va.

E. M. EITELHUBER and wife on June 8 secured from a Chicago, Ill., member a book of checks after they had deposited for collection a bogus check drawn on a local bank. Shortly after securing the book of checks they victimized several merchants in Chicago. The man is 30 to 40 years, 6 feet, 200 pounds; the woman 30 years, 5 feet 6 inches, 130 pounds.

C. A. GOWDY has defrauded a hotel at Redfield, S. D., by forged check of the De Bower-Elliott Co., Chicago. Is 35 years, 5 feet 10 inches, of medium dark complexion.

L. A. HAMILTON has defrauded a Chicago, Ill., merchant by check to which had been forged a former employer's signature.

H. H. HAMMOND, alias A. Jos. Finga, alias Frank K. Janner, is drawing bogus checks against the Mutual Bank, New York, N. Y.

W. C. KENNEDY has been arrested at Reno, Nev., charged with negotiating bogus checks. He has operated also at Lewiston, Idaho, Winona, Minn., Miles City, Mont.



PETER HURLEY

WILLIAM MCAULEY, alias Peter Hurley, used the following method of operation: Entered a garage, stated his car had broke down outside of the city, purchased an auto tire or other accessories, then presented a bogus certified check on the Mechanics National Bank, Providence, R. I. Later he would sell the tire. During January he was arrested at Stamford, Conn., released on bail and immediately rearrested by the New Haven, Conn., authorities. He likewise secured bail at New Haven. McAuley is 31 years, 5 feet 7 inches, 132 pounds: has blue eyes, dark hair, Roman nose. Bertillon: 70.5 71.0 92.2 19.6 15.3 13.3 6.4 25.1 11.4 8.7 44.9.

Peter Hurley

EDWARD MILLENTON by the aid of two bogus checks has fleeced a clothier at Baltimore, Md. His checks are drawn on the National Bank of Baltimore. He is 30 years, 5 feet 10 inches, 135 pounds.

HARRY B. RITTER. A check payable in this name by the "D. M. Williams Furniture Co." on the "Mercantile Savings Bank & Trust Co.," St. Louis, Mo., has been cashed at Somerset, Ky. There is no furniture business in St. Louis under this name nor is there a bank by the name given.

A. N. ROGERS, wanted by the North Dakota Bankers Association for defrauding by mortgage swindle a member of that Association at Sutton, N. D., was on April 14 turned over to the sheriff at Minneapolis, Minn., by our agents. The latter declares that no arrest was ever accomplished with greater ease and convenience. They had become aware that Rogers would call for a letter addressed to him, care General Delivery, Minneapolis. They waited for him to come and claim the letter. On April 14 he made his appearance and was given the communication. A Burns man hovered near and prepared to follow Rogers out of the building. Just then, however, Rogers turned and, advancing straight upon the detective requested the latter as to the direction of the Chamber of Commerce. Summing up the situation in a second, the Burns man remarked that he happened to be going there himself and would be pleased to be accompanied. On the way, Rogers told of his seeking employment. His companion declared that he knew of an opening in his own business and that he (Rogers) might be taken on if he applied to the foreman. Rogers agreed to do so, whereupon the Burns man, pointing to the City Hall, declared: "I work there; come along." Inside the building the detective with unsuspecting

Rogers at his side, walked straight into the sheriff's office and told the sheriff that his companion was looking for a job and that he was a fugitive from justice, being wanted at Sutton, N. D. Rogers was dumfounded.

E. L. ROGERS, who drives a Pierce Arrow automobile, 1913 model, has flooded California with bogus checks on the Anglo & London Paris National Bank, San Francisco. No banks have been approached by Rogers. The fact of driving to the door in an auto has had a misleading effect upon Rogers' victims. He is 22 years, 6 feet, 275 pounds.

H. E. ROSS, alias H. E. Sheppard, alias H. E. Rogers, alias H. E. Herbert, mining stock promoter, who has been issuing checks against the Garfield National Bank, New York, N. Y., in which institution he carries no account, was on June 5 arrested by the authorities of New York city. Ross has a police record at Detroit, Mich. Is 61 years, 5 feet 7 $\frac{3}{4}$ inches, 175 pounds.

S. E. SHERMAN. Checks signed Arkansas Marble Co., by J. S. Allen, drawn on the First National, Fordyce, Ark., are pronounced by the latter bank as entirely fictitious. Several of the checks have been cashed by individuals in Missouri and Louisiana. They are made payable in the names S. E. Sherman, Stephen E. Shuman and John T. Mason. The checks are filled out with typewriter and a protectograph is used.

MAX SCHILLER. Bogus checks bearing the name of the Enterprise Tool Co., Cleveland, Ohio, are being returned to indorsers by the Central National, Cleveland. The last victim was a hotel at Utica, N. Y. The tool company does not carry its account at this bank.

G. H. SMITH, alias G. F. Green, alias W. K. Kershaw, is passing at Philadelphia, Pa., bogus checks drawn on the Market Street Title & Trust Co., Philadelphia. He is 27 years, 5 feet 5 inches, 135 pounds.

J. W. SMITHERS is alleged to have swindled two customers of a Yoakum, Texas, member bank. Smithers succeeded in securing the interest of these men in a proposition to organize an additional bank at Yoakum. By some clever roundabout methods, it is alleged, Smithers succeeded in separating one from \$1,400 and the other \$100.

LEE W. THOMAS, who until January 23, 1917, had an account with the Bank of Archer, Fla., is reported by this bank as continually drawing checks upon them. Georgia has been his one operating ground. He recently conducted a normal school and business college at Archer.



JAMES THOMPSON

JAMES THOMPSON. This man on May 20 was arrested at Hudson, N. Y., by local authorities after he had swindled

a Hudson hardware dealer by having him cash a draft raised from \$8 to \$80. The draft was drawn on the National City Bank, New York, N. Y., by the First National, Albany, N. Y. Numerous similar raised checks have recently been passed throughout the south. Thompson is 60 years of age, known also as "Judge." Thompson gave Albany, N. Y., as his home town.

ARRESTED

SOLICITS DETECTIVE'S AID

Unaware as to his true connections, he solicits aid of taxi driver in bank swindling scheme. The latter, a Burns detective, notifies his superiors and an arrest is made

"Beware of strangers," does not apply as a moral to the downfall of A. J. Cogswell, arrested by our agents on June 16. John Smith was no stranger to Cogswell. Smith had been employed for many months past at Philadelphia, Pa., as a taxi driver. But that was as far as Cogswell's knowledge of Smith's connections went. Smith was a "good fellow." Cogswell became intimate with him and even confided in him to the extent of revealing certain secrets as to an easy way of making money. Smith was interested and agreed to join hands with Cogswell when "anything good came along." He was not kept waiting long. Recently Cogswell wrote to Smith, at a town where he was stopping, enclosing a letter with a \$375 check that he had taken, it was supposed, from a New York City mail box. He instructed Smith to get it indorsed, to present it at the bank drawn upon and realize some easy money. Smith persisted that Cogswell should get the check indorsed. This made it necessary for the latter to come on to New York City, (the check was on a local bank), where he connected with Smith and had the required indorsement secured. The day following was Saturday. Cogswell contemplated that with the customary heavy business of the day their check would be less apt to be questioned. Final arrangements for the morrow were made. Smith was to enter the bank with the check and to meet Cogswell a block away whence the money would be shared. They parted. At this point Smith threw off the disguise of taxi driver and appeared in his true guise—that of a Burns detective. He related to his superiors just what had transpired between himself and Cogswell. It was considered best to permit the plans as made by the pair to stand. The interested bank was notified and instructed to turn down the check when presented on the following day, June 16, by Smith. Post office inspectors were called in. The two men connected and proceeded to the bank. Burns' men and post office inspectors followed their trail. Smith entered the bank and was turned down as planned. (The attempt had thus been made.) When he joined Cogswell, their trailers closed in upon them and made Cogswell their prisoner. The latter's chagrin when he learned that Smith was a Burns detective was such as to render him speechless.

CONCRETE POST CO. NAMED

Missouri member suffers \$1,800 loss through operations of pair who came to their town to appoint agents for the "Kansas City Concrete Post Mold Co." Missouri Bankers Association offers \$125 reward for arrest of each

Recently a Missouri member reported the loss of \$1,800 through a swindle by forged notes. "During the fore part of

J. A. McClanahan

V. R. Goble

March of this year," declares this bank, "V. R. Goble and J. A. McClanahan came upon us and explained that they had come to the town to appoint agents in the handling of concrete post molds. Literature which they exhibited showed their firm name as the 'Kansas City Concrete Post Mold Co.' T. C. Cole as general manager and V. R. Goble as general agent. They told of having made a contract with a farmer residing near here appointing him as general agent of the county and asked if the bank would handle notes given them by the farmer. The latter being well known to us, we signified our willingness to handle the notes. As a result we discounted notes purporting to be signed by the farmer amounting to \$1,800. Goble and McClanahan were here for some time and left by auto, declaring that they were going to Salisbury, Mo., to continue their endeavors. After discounting the notes we issued drafts for same payable to Goble and McClanahan. On May 30, the farmer visited our institution and asked if we knew the location of the Kansas City Concrete Post Mold Co., at the same time exhibiting a letter which he had written this company at Kansas City, Mo. It had been returned as undeliverable. We remarked as to the notes, whereupon the latter replied that he had not given any notes. He pronounced them forgeries."

On June 9 the police of Lincoln, Neb. caused the arrest of J. A. McCLANAHAN. Through the latter the information was obtained that Goble was stopping at Enid, Okla. Our agents followed out this lead and were enabled with the assistance of a deputy sheriff at Enid to cause GOBLE'S arrest on June 10. Goble is 40 years, 6 feet, 200 pounds, of fair complexion, heavy build, has dark hair and eyes. His accomplice is 46 years, 5 feet 6 inches, 150 pounds, of sallow complexion.

AGENTS MAKE WHOLESALE ARRESTS

Eight captures made in one day of forgers' clique who "stripped" Houston bank

A member at Houston, Texas, had been put to a loss by cashing a number of forged checks for an organized gang of negro check swindlers. Our agents spent several days on this case collecting such evidence as would tend to establish the identity and whereabouts of each man implicated. On June 12 the matter was in such shape as to warrant the attempt to arrest the negroes. Employing the use of a motor car and the assistance of a local deputy sheriff, our agents left Houston on the morning of June 12. Before night had fallen, eight negroes, known as full fledged members of the clique were packed into the auto and driven to Houston as prisoners. JOHN SIMMS, alias Tom Henderson, was located at Houston Heights Annex; ELMORE MCCARTHY at Houston; MINGO WOODS and YORK RUNNELLS at Cross Timbers, Texas; JACK WATKINS, JULIUS REMBERT, alias Joe Smith, FELIX HOWARD at Louette, Texas; DAVE CARTER, alias Fred Brown, alias Fred Braun, near Tom Ball, Texas.

HOLD-UPS KILLED IN BANK RAID

Warned against approach of three robbers, Tuskahoma bank prepares and succeeds in killing off two and seriously injuring third bandit

"A band of bank robbers are headed for your place."

On May 24 the First State Bank, Tuskahoma, Okla., received this warning from a neighboring town. The bank officials immediately became active. Within a few moments a squad of armed citizens in hiding circled the bank. True to the warning three men appeared, came directly to the bank in back of which they tied their horses, then entering covered the employees with loaded revolvers, scraped in every available dollar and started to make a get-away. As they reached the door the guns of the citizens spoke their greetings. One of the robbers tumbled lifeless to the floor. Another succeeded in reaching the street only to be brought down as his pal. The third robber had almost reached his horse when a well aimed bullet struck him. The dead men are BEN WILLIS, 22 and G. L. MERRELL, 27. HENRY CLAIRY may not survive his wounds. He is held at the Antlers jail.

BOGUS SWEDISH MINISTER JAILED

Man who represented himself as Wilhelm A. F. Ekengren and forged the latter's name to many checks is taken into custody at New York, N. Y.

No longer recognized as Wilhelm A. F. Ekengren, Swedish Minister, C. Gustave Frosell now suffers the mortification of arrest and imprisonment. For a week or two previous to June 17, the day of his arrest, Frosell had enjoyed the respect of all classes under his representations that he was a Swedish Minister. New York, N. Y., was the center of his attentions. When his purse burned low he told the merchants whom he approached of his large bank account at the Munsey Trust Co., Washington, D. C. He exhibited his pocket check book and when they signified their willingness to change their goods for his check, he would dash off an order against his account, ten or twenty dollars larger than the price of the purchase. The Washington bank turned back each check as spurious. Previous to his visit at New York, Frosell toured Chicago and in the course of his operations, victimized a local member.

ERNEST BAIN, alias E. W. Bain, who has represented himself as a member of company "M," First Louisiana Infantry, stationed "somewhere in the south" is now under arrest at New Orleans, La., following activities of our agents and the local police authorities. Bain, attired in a khaki uniform and exhibiting such papers as would tend to prove his connections with the First Louisiana, was recently successful in victimizing a New Orleans member bank by bogus check drawn on a bank at Alexandria, La., his alleged home town. Several hotels were also "caught." The arrest was accomplished on June 7.

S. A. BRADY, charged with having defrauded a member at Salt Lake City, Utah, by passing a check to which had been forged a depositor's signature, was on June 1 arrested at Layton, Utah, by our agents and a deputy sheriff of Salt Lake City, Utah.

CARL CARLSON, alias Roy Moore, alias Clifton Wright, who has defrauded a member of New York, N. Y., by cashing check to which had been forged a depositor's signature, was on June 4 arrested at Niagara Falls, N. Y. He had operated with spurious checks at Niagara Falls while representing himself as a government secret service agent. Carlson is 20 years, 5 feet 6 inches, 135 pounds. He hails from Montana.



R. C. CASEY

R. C. CASEY, who has operated in the past as an expert accountant and while thus employed by a concern would forge the latter's name to a check and pass it at a local bank, was on June 6 arrested at Louisville, Ky., by our agents and the local authorities. The particular charge on which Casey was taken into custody is preferred by a member at Portland. Casey is an old offender, having served a long term for this offense in the Washington State Penitentiary. He has used the aliases: Joseph R. Baldwin, R. O. Canby, R. O. Conley, Martin T. Stiles, Clarence L. Boland, C. S. Kasser, Thos. Boland. He is a native of Georgia. Is 30 years, 5 feet 10½ inches, 140 pounds, of sandy complexion; has chestnut hair and eyes. Bertillon: 79.2 83.0 94.1 19.9 6.4 14.8 7.0 27.6 11.6 8.8 48.3. Finger Prints: 9/1 R/U 00/00 = 9. On his arrest at Louisville, Casey admitted his identity and agreed to willingly return to Portland. He was employed at the time by a reputable concern and drew a salary of \$50 a week

R. C. Casey

H. H. COLWELL, alias Herbert Harold, wanted by a member at Plainview, Texas, on a charge of forgery, was arrested at El Paso, Texas, recently by the local authorities and returned to Plainview. He is 20 years, 5 feet 3 inches, 130 pounds.

JAMES FAITH, alleged to have victimized a member at Corona, N. M., by forging a depositor's signature, is under arrest at Amarillo, Texas. The crime in this connection was not committed at Corona but Albuquerque, N. M.

DR. A. L. HITNER, who has defrauded a member at Philadelphia, Pa., by bogus draft drawn on a bank of Penn Argyle, Pa., was arrested at Philadelphia on June 5 by the local authorities. Hitner is wanted also on two government charges, impersonating a postal inspector and an army officer.

J. GREELEY JONES, alleged to have been implicated with many others in the recent floating in the southwest of bogus certificates of deposit, was on May 16 arrested at Leesville, Texas, by our agents and the authorities of Dewitt County, Texas. On page 186, June, 1917 issue of the Supplement there is quoted an article on the arrests of nine men said to have used these bogus certificates in their frauds. J. Greeley Jones has been returned to Ada., Okla. for prosecution.

J. M. JONES, alias J. M. Moore, on May 29 was arrested at Baltimore, Md., by the local authorities following his attempt to secure from a Baltimore printer a large supply of certificates of deposits on the Bank of Johnston, Johnston, S. C. Inasmuch as he could produce no credentials, the printer's suspicions were aroused. He notified the police and the arrest followed. The prisoner's baggage on being searched gave forth such data as



J. M. JONES

would indicate his true name as J. B. King. It also was apparent that he had been connected in one way or other with the Augusta Self-Heating Iron Co., Augusta, Ga., J. B. King Co., Chattanooga, Tenn., gas saver and carbon remover device, J. B. King Fuel & Economy Co., Inc., Chattanooga. Jones, alias Moore, alias King, is to be returned to Edgefield, S. C., on a charge of forgery, it is alleged. He is 36 years, 5 feet 6½ inches, 140 pounds, of medium build; has dark chestnut hair, dark hazel eyes; gives birthplace as Morgantown, W. Va. Bertillon: 68.5 74.0 90.4 18.2 15.2 14.0 5.8 24.2 11.0 8.8 45.8

E. D. LARSON, alias D. L. Allen, alias D. C. Jensen, who has put to loss member banks at Bountiful, Murray and Spanish Fork, Utah, was taken into custody May 23 at Salt Lake City, Utah, by our agents and a local deputy sheriff. Larson by aid of an open, jovial nature had persuaded these banks to tender him cash on checks which were returned as worthless. He also "caught" a dozen or more hotels at Salt Lake City by forged checks. It was due to the efforts of our agents that a full list of this man's operations was secured. Larson was "picked up" on a single charge but our agents were eventually enabled to develop such information as would indicate the true extent of his swindling transactions. He is 35 years, 5 feet 7 inches, 160 pounds, of stocky build; has dark hair and complexion; wears glasses constantly; claims to be a teacher of Greek.

J. E. Larsen

Edgar R. Larsen

KUZMA MACHOWSKI, Russian, lumber jack who has swindled a Cleveland, Ohio, member out of \$280 by forging a depositor's (his roommate) signature to a withdraw slip, was on June 11 arrested at Wallaceburg, Ont., by our agents and the local authorities. Machowski speaks no English. Is 38 years, 5 feet 7 inches, 160 pounds; has a thin, light brown mustache; teeth in upper jaw protrude.

W. B. MANWARING, a salesman and cost accountant of a New Haven, Conn., firm, was arrested on June 14 at Short Beach, Conn., by our agents. Manwaring had obtained possession of a book of checks on the Mechanics Bank, New Haven, in which institution he carries no account. He then proceeded to fill out these checks and pass them as genuine upon merchants

of many Connecticut and Massachusetts towns. In his crusade he landed a Middletown, Conn., bank as victim. It was on this charge that his arrest was sought and accomplished by our agents. He confessed to his complete operations. The Burns operative assigned to this case relates that he received much valuable assistance from William J. McKee, Constable, Branford, Conn. We highly appreciate Mr. McKee's generosity and that of the many officers and others throughout the country

W. E. Manwaring

who are always ready and willing to promote our interests in ridding the banking field of the criminal element. Manwaring is 34 years, 5 feet 9 inches, 140 pounds, of slender build; has blue eyes, brown hair, presents an untidy appearance.

CHARLES OWENS, alias Lee Briggs, who sometime past victimized a member at Newberg, Ore., by check to which he had forged a depositor's signature, was recently arrested at San Francisco, Cal., by the local authorities. He gave the name Victor Flagg. Our agents are responsible for the identification of Owens as Flagg. He is 26 years, 5 feet 7 inches, 140 pounds. The Oregon Bankers Association has co-operated with this Association by financing of this investigation.

ED. PARKER, alias Shorty. This man, on June 10, presented to a member at Northport, Wash., a \$60 check. Mistaking the figures the clerk paid to Parker \$100 in cash. When the error was discovered, Parker was approached and told to refund the \$40. He refused to return this amount. While the bank officials were securing a warrant, Parker, known also as Shorty, fled the town. They supplied the Spokane office of our agents with a description of this man. On June 15 while the manager of the Spokane office and one of his assistants were walking through the streets of the town, they noticed a man who fitted the description of Ed. Parker. Under a pretext the manager was able to speak to this party and scrutinize him more closely. However, he could not satisfy himself either way. After the suspect had left, the two detectives followed in his footsteps. Before this surveillance had proceeded very far, the suspect was encountered in the street by two women who proceeded to hold him in conversation. While he was thus engaged, one of the Burns men continued ahead to follow the suspect after the women had left, while the second detective remained behind to question the women. The women declared they knew the man only as "Shorty, the cook." Believing that the similarity in aliases (Parker was known as "Shorty") warranted an interview, the Burns men accosted the suspect. Under questioning he acknowledged himself as Ed. Parker and confessed the larceny of the \$40. He was turned over to the local authorities and jailed.

SEVERIN PETERSON, charged with having fleeced a member at Falls City, Ore., by passing a check which he now admits as having taken from the mails and forged the payee's indorsement thereon, was on May 25 arrested near Kings Valley, Ore., by our agents and the local sheriff. Peterson is a Norwegian. The Oregon Bankers Association co-operated with this Association in the financing of this investigation.

DAVID PINAS, alias David Lack, who has swindled a member at Baltimore, Md., out of \$250 by cashing a check to which he had forged his employer's (a depositor) signature, was on June 1 arrested at Philadelphia, Pa., by the local authorities.

JOSEPH L. POCHÉ, wanted on a charge of victimizing a member at Center City, Minn., by worthless check, was on

June 2 arrested by the sheriff at Milwaukee, Wis., upon information furnished by our agents. Poche is 51 years, 5 feet 8 inches, 125 pounds; has southern accent, wears glasses; speaks in soft tones.

H. E. PRINTZ was arrested by our agents on June 16 in New York City. A local member had notified that they held Printz in their rooms following his attempt to pass upon them a check to which he had forged a depositor's signature. It developed that previous to this attempt Printz had succeeded in cashing many similar forged checks at this bank totaling \$900. Printz admitted his guilt.

D. M. ROLL, wanted by a member at Evansville, Ind., was on May 25, arrested at St. Paul, Minn., by our agents and local officers. Roll, on March 12, executed a promissory note for \$1,020, payable four months after date to this bank and deposited as collateral a note for \$1,750, payable six months after date, the signature of which was forged. He was registered at a St. Paul hotel as J. C. Taylor. However, when taken into custody, he admitted his identity and agreed to return for punishment.

FRED SCHAEFFER who has defrauded a member at Toledo, Ohio, by check to which he forged a depositor's signature was on June 10 arrested at Fremont, Ohio, by our agents and the local authorities.

WALTER A. SCOTT, alias H. R. Crawford, alias Albert H. Thomas, who has been operating recently in the west with checks purporting to have been issued to him as salary by the American Telephone and Telegraph Co. was arrested on May 26 at Pendleton, Ore., by the local sheriff. His checks were rank forgeries. He was apprehended on the particular charge of passing a \$200 forged check in Pasco, Wash. A member at Shoshone, Idaho, also suffered by Scott's attacks when they accepted a check from him in amount of \$325. Hermiston, Ore., Idaho Falls, Idaho, Livingston, Mont., report of Scott's swindle.

R. M. SCURLOCK, who has defrauded a member at Kansas City, Mo., by checks to which he forged a depositor's signature, was on June 15 arrested at Olathe, Kans., by our agents and the local sheriff. Scurlock admitted forging and passing the check, declaring that he spent the proceeds on wine and women.

JACK SHINDLER, who, while employed by the Art Publishing Co., Sioux City, Iowa, as press feeder, stole several of their checks, forged his employer's signature to same and passed them upon a Sioux City member, was arrested on June 14 by the authorities at St. Paul, Minn. Shindler but recently came to Sioux City, Omaha, Neb., being his previous stopping place. He is 5 feet 8 inches, 140 pounds, of slender build; has brown hair and eyes. The Iowa Bankers Association co-operated with this Association in the financing of an investigation of this case.

J. D. SMITH. A member at Reading, Pa., on May 7 cashed for this man a check drawn on the National Iron Bank of Pottstown, Pa. It was branded as bogus. On June 8 our agents through the co-operation of the authorities at Pottstown were enabled to bring about Smith's arrest. He blamed intoxication for his action. Is 40 years, 5 feet 6 inches, 150 pounds; has dark hair, eyes and complexion.

LON WARNER. This man left Higgins, Texas, on April 22 in a Ford car on which a local member held mortgage. Warner also mortgaged to the bank 160 head of cows which he did not possess. On May 17 he was arrested at Casper, Wyo., by our

agents and the local sheriff. Warner is 6 feet 3 inches, 250 pounds. He has a large, full, round face which is highly flushed; his hair is dark brown; his bloodshot eyes are blue.



ARTHUR JAMES WATERS

ARTHUR JAMES WATERS, aliases James Hartley, James Boyd, James Collins, James Carson, has confessed to the authorities of Portland, Ore., by whom he was arrested on May 20, that he victimized a local member bank by cashing checks to which he had forged a depositor's signature. Waters told how he burglarized this depositor's home, stealing blank checks and a rubber stamp, the impression of which he duplicated on the blank checks. He passed the checks upon merchants who received payment upon them at the bank. Waters is 21 years, 5 feet 7½ inches, 123 pounds, of slim build; has brown hair, gray brown eyes. Bertillon: 71.3 75.0 85.7 18.5 14.5 12.5 6.3 25.2 11.5 8.7 46.9. Prints: 17/17 -/R 1/00 = 16. Has a previous record as a house burglar.

REMOVED

ROBBER GETS LIFE TERM

19-year-old youth who held up and robbed Nebraska bank of \$1,981 confessed to two murders

A bank robbery at the point of a gun and two murders. That's a record of the crimes charged against Joseph L. Redenbaugh, alias G. E. Loucks, 19 years of age. Redenbaugh has confessed to the charges as true ones. The robbery was first in order. At 12.20 P. M., February 17, B. H. Schaberg, president of the First National Bank, University Place, Neb., was alone in the bank. A moment later a youth passed into the bank, approached Mr. Schaberg and requested change of a \$1 bill, which he laid upon the counter. The bank man counted out the change and turned to hand it to the other. He confronted a leveled revolver. Cool and in low and even tone the youth spoke: "Get into the



JOSEPH L. REDENBAUGH

vault!" There was no alternative. The bank man stepped into the vault, the bandit gave his attention to the cash drawer, then stepped to the vault and closed the door upon the president. Within three minutes the latter had liberated himself and spread the alarm; \$1,981.49 had been taken by the robber. Through an informant, the police of Kansas City, Mo., became convinced that one Joseph L. Redenbaugh, alias G. E. Loucks, residing locally, had perpetrated this robbery. They had secured letters addressed by Redenbaugh to his wife in which he practically admitted his guilt. After many days of persistent investigation and surveillance of Redenbaugh's relations, it was ascertained that he had undoubtedly taken refuge at San Francisco, Cal. The police of that city were notified and by the Minneapolis, Minn. police on May 10 succeeded in apprehending Redenbaugh. On April 24 Redenbaugh while motoring on the outskirts of Minneapolis, Minn., was halted by a traffic policeman who informed Redenbaugh that he was under arrest for speeding. The officer entered the automobile, taking a seat directly behind Redenbaugh and told the latter to guide the car to headquarters. Half way there Redenbaugh lowered one hand to his own hip pocket and drew a revolver. Guiding the wheel with the other, he turned upon the policeman and fired. A jolt of the car sent the bullet crashing into the officer's leg. It rendered him helpless. At this point Redenbaugh stopped the car and dragged the officer to the roadside. Fearing that the policeman would give warning as soon as the car was started, Redenbaugh to render his charge unconscious struck the policeman a sharp blow on the head with the butt of his revolver. When the officer's body was found several hours later, it was devoid of life. In his hand there was clasped a sheet of paper on which the number of Redenbaugh's car was given also his personal description. On April 26 Redenbaugh was offered \$3,000 to murder one Mrs. Alice Dunn of St. Paul. He accepted, broke into her house that night, picked his way to her bedroom where she slept with her two sisters, when by the aid of a flashlight he was sure of his victim, fired three times, each bullet striking its mark and bringing instant death to Mrs. Dunn. Redenbaugh has confessed to these crimes. On the charge of murdering the officer he has been sentenced to the Minnesota State Penitentiary for life. He is 19 years, 5 feet 6¾ inches, 128½ pounds, of slim build; has dark blonde hair, chestnut green eyes; his face is well pimpled. Bertillon: 69.0 70.0 89.5 19.4 15.0 14.2 6.5 25.0 11.0 8.4 45.3.

HARRY ALLEN, bogus checks, 3 years on each of two counts (total 6 years), Federal Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kans.

ERNEST BAIN, bogus check, released; rearrested on charge of impersonating a U. S. army officer.

JACK BLUMBERG, forgery, probation of 1 year.

ALCID BOWERS, forgery, released; grounds that he was under influence of drugs at time.

AL. BROWN, forgery, April 10, case dismissed.

JOHN F. BRYANT, worthless check, May 28, plead guilty, 1 to 14 years, Illinois State Penitentiary.

W. E. BRYSON, bogus check, released. No true bill. Immediately re-arrested by Whiting, Ind., authorities on a charge filed by his wife.

ROBERT BURGENDORF, forgery, April 10, case dismissed.

FRANK BURNELL, alleged mortgage swindle, released.

JOE BUSBY, alleged mortgage swindle, dismissed.

M. A. CAROLL, alias John Mione, alias Frank Bono, check kiting, May 31, 1917, 4 years, Georgia State Penitentiary.

NORMAN R. CARVER, forgery, May 22, probation.

OTIS WINSLOW COBB, bogus checks, fugitive from justice.

STEPHEN CODAR, alias S. Conde, worthless checks, April 18, released; not indicted.

GEORGE H. CRAGIN, alleged forgeries, released; case placed on file at recommendation of district attorney.

T. P. DAVENPORT, JR., alias J. M. Leonard, bogus draft, May 21, given 6 months at Leesville, La., Parish Jail.

C. L. DODSON, alleged forgeries, released; case placed on file at recommendation of district attorney.

F. H. HARRISON, alleged worthless draft, April 21, acquitted.

H. L. HERRICK, forgery, April 12, indeterminate term, New York State Penitentiary at Blackwell's Island.

MARY JONES, forgery, paroled.

W. I. KANAMAN, alleged swindle, released.

W. E. MANWARING, alleged bogus check, released; case not prossed.

EARL OWEN, forgery, May 29, probation.

DAVID PINAS, forgery, June 14, 1 year, Maryland Penitentiary.

CHARLES RANKIN, hold-up and robbery, May, 1917, 10 years, Oklahoma State Penitentiary.

F. L. RICHARDSON, alleged forgeries, released; case placed on file at recommendation of district attorney.

ALBERT ROEDER, alleged forgeries, released; case placed on file at recommendation of district attorney.

C. A. SHEPPEY, worthless draft, pleaded guilty; fined and released.

ARTHUR L. SIEBERT, bogus check, sentence suspended, 1 year probation.

ROBERT G. SIMMS, bogus check, May 25, 1 year, House of Correction, Chicago, Ill.

HUNTINGTON SMITH, forgery, released. No extradition made.

J. D. SMITH, alleged bogus check, released.

GEORGE S. STEVENS, alleged worthless checks, released; case placed on file at recommendation of district attorney.

CECIL STONE, forged check, April 28; 2 years West Virginia Penitentiary.

DAWN A. THOMPSON, alleged worthless checks, released; insufficient evidence to convict.

E. L. TILEY, bogus check, sentenced to Ohio State Penitentiary; immediately paroled.

JAN TOMALO, alleged forged check, released; important witnesses failed to appear.

JOSEPH M. VONA, forgery, April 9, indeterminate term, New York State Penitentiary at Blackwell's Island.

AWAITING ACTION

ALLEGED FORGERIES AND SWINDLES

Bachrack, Morris, forgery, Wilkes-Barre, Pa.
 Bailey, C., bogus check, Royal Oak, Mich.
 Bland, W. F., bogus certificate of deposit, Yale, Okla.
 Blankman, David, forgeries, Boston, Mass.
 Boxley, P. H., bogus certificate of deposit, Hugo, Okla.
 Brady, S. A., forgery, Salt Lake City, Utah.
 Brock, J. A., forgery, Antlers, Okla.
 Broder, Otto F., forgery, Detroit, Mich.
 Buckles, Charles, forgery, Caruthersville, Mo.
 Bunch, Essie, forgery, Memphis, Tenn.
 Bundy, H. C., forgery, San Francisco, Cal.
 Carlson, Carl, forgery, New York, N. Y.
 Carter, Arvel, forgery, Salt Lake City, Utah.
 Carter, Dave, forgery, Houston, Tex.
 Casey, R. C., forgery, Portland, Ore.
 Chalmers, Donald, bogus check, Hundred, W. Va.
 Chisholm, Frank, forgery, New York, N. Y.
 Churchill, Roy, forgery, Amarillo, Tex.
 Cogswell, A. J., forgery, New York, N. Y.
 Colby, H. E., worthless check, Taylor Falls, Minn.
 Colwell, H. H., forgery, Plainview, Tex.
 Dabney, C. W., forgery, Kansas City, Mo.
 Davis, Harvie A., bogus check, Portland, Me.
 DeAllen, Horace, forgery, Evansville, Ind.
 Desmond, J. H., forged telegram, Henrietta, Tex.
 Dunn, Cora A., bogus draft, Twin Falls, Idaho.
 Eisler, Joseph Ellis, bogus check, New York, N. Y.
 Evans, H. R., bogus certificate of deposit, Ada, Okla.
 Faith, James, forgery, Corona, N. M.
 Fox, Harry, bogus check, Lynchburg, Va.
 Friese, Harold, worthless check, Bridgeport, Conn.
 Frosell, C. Gustave, bogus check, Chicago, Ill.
 Garnett, Chas. H., bogus certificate of deposit, Ada, Okla.
 Goble, V. R., forged notes, Concordia, Mo.
 Gore, Robert, forgery, Madison, W. Va.
 Grant, J. W., forgeries, Elwood City, Pa.
 Gray, Sandy, forgery, Forest City, N. C.
 Hadley, Albert, forgery, Eugene, Ore.
 Hanscom, F. Augustus, bogus checks, Boston, Mass.
 Held, Jake, forgery, Salt Lake City, Utah.
 Hitner, Dr. A. L., bogus draft, Philadelphia, Pa.
 Hix, J. S., bogus certificate of deposit, Ada, Okla.
 Hodge, Allie, raised check, Birmingham, Mich.
 Holden, E. N., forgery, Clay, W. Va.
 Howard, Felix, forgery, Houston, Tex.
 Johnson, Abraham, bogus check, McLeansboro, Ill.
 Johnson, Clark, forgery, Canton, Miss.
 Johnson, J. T., bogus check, New Orleans, La.
 Jones, Edward E., forgery, El Paso, Tex.
 Jones, J. Greeley, bogus certificates of deposit, Ada, Okla.
 Jones, J. M., attempt to swindle, Johnston, S. C.
 Klein, George, forgery, St. Joseph, Mo.
 Langner, Mollie, swindle, Cleveland, Ohio.
 Larson, E. D., forgery, Bountiful, Utah.
 Lawless, George W., bogus checks, Detroit, Mich.
 Loehrs, Bernard, bogus check, Asbury Park, N. J.
 McCarthy, Elmore, forgery, Houston, Tex.
 McClanahan, J. A., forged notes, Concordia, Mo.
 McConnell, Ruel T., worthless drafts, Hattiesburg, Miss.
 Machowski, Kuzma, forgery, Cleveland, Ohio.
 Mack, J. W., bogus certificate of deposit, Hugo, Okla.

Markowitz, Elias, forgery, New York, N. Y.
 Massey, W. B., forgery, Blytheville, Ark.
 Matthews, J. D., bogus certificate of deposit, Cushing, Okla.
 Mayes, J. S., worthless check, Daytona Beach, Fla.
 Million, Gladys, forgery, New York, N. Y.
 Noble, Charles C., forgery, Santa Ana, Cal.
 Owens, Charles, forgery, Newberg, Ore.
 Parker, Ed., swindle, Northport, Wash.
 Patton, Thomas W., worthless draft, Springfield, Ill.
 Peterson, Lawrence, forgery, St. Louis, Mo.
 Peterson, Severin, forgery, Falls City, Ore.
 Poche, Joseph L., worthless check, Center City, Minn.
 Printz, H. E., forgeries, New York, N. Y.
 Real, Abraham, forgery, Philadelphia, Pa.
 Rembert, Julius, forgery, Houston, Tex.
 Rhyme, Amanda, forgery, Floral City, Fla.
 Robinette, I. T., forgery, Mt. Hope, W. Va.
 Roll, D. M., forgery, Evansville, Ind.
 Rollison, C. A., raised check, Waycross, Ga.
 Runnells, York, forgery, Houston, Tex.
 Saus, Pat, forgery, Lewiston, Mont.
 Schaeffer, Fred, forgery, Toledo, Ohio.
 Scott, Walter A., forgery, Shoshone, Idaho.
 Scurlock, R. M., forgery, Kansas City, Mo.
 Shepard, Howard Wade, bogus check, Tulsa, Okla.
 Shindler, Jack, forgery, Sioux City, Iowa.
 Shipman, Horace M., bogus draft, Oklahoma City, Okla.
 Shuter, James, bogus checks, Belvidere, N. J.
 Simms, John, forgery, Houston, Tex.
 Sisco, Maurice, forgery, Battle Creek, Mich.
 Soewell, Wm. H., swindle, Jacksonville, Fla.
 Somstrom, Fred W., forgery, Wallingford, Conn.
 Storey, Luther, forgery, New Orleans, La.
 Story, Jim, bogus checks, Collinsville, Tex.
 Tisor, Carl R., accomplice of swindler, Forsyth, Mont.
 Van Leuven, Bert, worthless check, Salina, Kan.
 Ward, Charles C., forgery, Chicago, Ill.
 Warner, Lon, mortgage swindle, Higgins, Tex.

Waters, Arthur James, forgery, Portland, Ore.
 Watkins, Jack, forgery, Houston, Tex.
 Weil, M. L., worthless draft, Elko, Nev.
 Weir, Robert John, worthless checks, San Francisco, Cal.
 Wetmore, Claude H., forgery, St. Louis, Mo.
 Willis, G. S., bogus check, Brooksville, Fla.
 Wisdom, G. C., bogus certificate of deposit, Cushing, Okla.
 Woodhouse, Sidney, forgery, Hillsboro, Ore.
 Woods, Mingo, forgery, Houston, Tex.
 Yarger, George, forgery, Akron, Ohio.

BURGLARS AND HOLD-UP ROBBERS

Alderman, Hugh, hold-up, Homestead, Fla.
 Ashley, John, hold-up, Stuart, Fla.
 Bergens, J. W., robbery and murder, Point, Tex.
 Burton, Jack, attempted robbery, Lorain, Ohio.
 Carr, Jess, burglary, Lilly, Pa.
 Carsen, Grady, hold-up, Heavener, Okla.
 Carden, Julius, hold-up, Heavener, Okla.
 Clairry, Hery, hold-up, Tuskahoma, Okla.
 Coyle, Leo, burglary, Lilly, Pa.
 Fortimer, Howard, contemplated robbery, Windsor, Ill.
 Fotaff, Thomas, attempted robbery, Lorain, Ohio.
 Garrick, Pat, burglary, Lilly, Pa.
 Jenkins, H. P., robbery, El Paso, Ark.
 King, Norval S., hold-up, Englewood, Colo.
 Lemons, Doc, robbery, El Paso, Ark.
 Littrell, Jess, hold-up, Harrah, Okla.
 McKinney, Calvin, robbery, Crowder, Okla.
 Marvin, Harold, robbery, Oronogo, Mo.
 Perry, Julia, burglary, Lilly, Pa.
 Quattlebaum, Arthur, robbery, El Paso, Ark.
 Quattlebaum, John, robbery, El Paso, Ark.
 Quattlebaum, Sid, robbery, El Paso, Ark.
 Smith, Frank, hold-up, Heavener, Okla.
 Stone, Jim, robbery, El Paso, Ark.

STATISTICS OF THE PROTECTIVE DEPARTMENT

| | Awaiting trial August 31, 1916 | Arrested since August 31, 1916 | Arrests in June, 1916 | Total | Convicted | Discharged or acquitted | Fugitive, escaped, insane or dead | Awaiting trial |
|----------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------|-------|-----------|-------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------|
| Forgers..... | 99 | 270 | 38 | 308 | 196 | 82 | 20 | 109 |
| Burglars..... | .. | 13 | .. | 13 | 2 | 7 | .. | 4 |
| Hold-up robbers..... | 14 | 49 | 1 | 50 | 35 | 8 | 1 | 20 |
| Total..... | 113 | 332 | 39 | 371 | 233 | 97 | 21 | 133 |

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PROTECTIVE DEPARTMENT

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CALIFORNIA, LOS ANGELES.—I. N. Van Nuys Building.
CALIFORNIA, SAN FRANCISCO.—First National Bank Building.
COLORADO, DENVER.—421 Cooper Building.
FLORIDA, JACKSONVILLE.—Special Representative, C. E. Sears, c/o Hotel Albert.
ILLINOIS, CHICAGO.—Transportation Building.
LOUISIANA, NEW ORLEANS.—Whitney Central Building.
MARYLAND, BALTIMORE.—Fidelity Building.
MASSACHUSETTS, BOSTON.—201 Devonshire Street.
MICHIGAN, DETROIT.—Dime Savings Bank Building.
MINNESOTA, MINNEAPOLIS.—McKnight Building.
MINNESOTA, ST. PAUL.—New York Life Building.
MISSOURI, KANSAS CITY.—Ridge Arcade Building.
MISSOURI, ST. LOUIS.—Railway Exchange Building.
NEW YORK, BUFFALO.—White Building.
NEW YORK, NEW YORK.—Woolworth Building.
OHIO, CLEVELAND.—Sweetland Building.
OKLAHOMA, OKLAHOMA CITY.—Special Representative, A. B. Cooper, 908 Colcord Building.
OREGON, PORTLAND.—Yeon Building.
PENNSYLVANIA, PHILADELPHIA.—Widener Building.
PENNSYLVANIA, PITTSBURGH.—Commonwealth Building.

RHODE ISLAND, PROVIDENCE.—Providence Journal Building.
TENNESSEE, MEMPHIS.—Special Representative, M. W. Williams, 408-9 Bank of Commerce and Trust Building, P. O. Box 464.
TEXAS, DALLAS.—Special Representative, F. R. Selumacher, 601 Young Street.
TEXAS, HOUSTON.—Beatty Building.
UTAH, SALT LAKE CITY.—Special Representative, Wm. Duffy, 234 South 2nd East Street.
WASHINGTON, SEATTLE.—L. C. Smith Building.
WASHINGTON, SPOKANE.—Old National Bank Building.

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CANADA, TORONTO.—Suite 40, Ocean Accident & Guaranty Building, 6 King St. W.
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CORRESPONDENT OF THE WILLIAM J. BURNS INTERNATIONAL DETECTIVE AGENCY, INC.

IOWA, DES MOINES.—The Gus J. Fatak Detective Agency, 414 Mulberry Street.

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RULES OF THE PROTECTIVE COMMITTEE

1. Upon receipt of notification by the General Secretary, Five Nassau Street, New York City, or the nearest office or correspondent of the William J. Burns International Detective Agency, Inc., of an attempted or successful perpetration of fraud or crime upon a member of this Association in its banking rooms, or in the rooms of such branches as are members, either by forgery, check-raising, worthless or bogus checks, swindle, sneak theft, robbery, hold-up or burglary therein, the committee will at once use its best efforts to apprehend the criminal. No action, however, will be taken unless immediate notice is given, and a case once committed to the Association cannot be taken out of its hands nor the offense condoned or compromised. If for any reason whatsoever no prosecution takes place when the member is in a legal position to aid in the prosecution, and fails to do so, such member shall reimburse the Association for all expenses incurred in connection with the case reported.

2. In reporting cases the member agrees to swear out a warrant for the criminal concerned when his identity has been determined: or a John Doe warrant at once in states where permitted. The committee relentlessly pursues both amateur and professional criminals in cases of attempted or successful fraud or crime upon members of the Association, but cannot take cognizance of such offenses where perpetrated upon others than members, or of so-called "inside jobs" where the offender is an officer or employee of a member. The committee relies upon the state, county or local authorities to arrange for the extradition and the payment of expense incident to the return of a prisoner. The committee will not pay witness fees, and will not be responsible for any expense incurred for protective work which has not been previously authorized.

PROTECTIVE DEPARTMENT

L. W. GAMMON, MANAGER
Five Nassau Street, New York

JULY PROTECTIVE WORK

WARNING

SAVING ACCOUNTS

If you carry saving accounts of alien laborers,
read this warning

We are taking this means of warning our members that the utmost precaution should be taken when withdrawals are being made from saving accounts.

This department has received reports from various defrauded members which lead us to believe that there is an organized clique of swindlers who prey upon the savings of Greek and Russian laborers. We realize that it is a very hard proposition for the paying tellers to recognize one Greek or Russian from another and would therefore suggest that at the time an account is opened some distinguishing mark be placed on the bank card, such as "scar under right eye" or "stutters," etc. This would only take a moment longer and more than likely would prevent a loss, even though the swindler was able to answer all the questions and signed the proper signature. The small identification characteristic would be missing, which would prove that the proper party was not calling for the funds.

These swindlers always operate where the laborers are of the alien classes. They secure bed space with a half dozen other men, and awaiting the opportunity, they steal the pass books. Being clever with the pen they are able to pass inspection at the bank. The money is secured and the pass book replaced. The loss is not discovered until time for a new deposit. It naturally follows that the swindler has disappeared and the bank is unable to identify the operator as considerable time usually lapses before the crime is discovered.

The depositors are aware of the fact that they will not suffer a loss due to the above described operation, and naturally do not take the precaution that they should, nor do they render reliable aid to our agents while they are investigating such transactions. Aid us in bringing this class of a swindle to an end by using greater care in paying upon withdrawal slips.

FRANCES BACHMAN, alias Grace Field, Edith H. Barker and CHAS. H. BARKER are operating in the mid-western states. The bankers of Illinois and Ohio have reported the operations of the two persons mentioned, who, owing to their activities, have succeeded in defrauding members at Princeton, Ill., Detroit, Mich., and Lockland, Ohio. In one instance an account was opened for \$250, a check of the Imperial Bank of Canada, Bolton, Can., being used. The operator succeeded in securing an advance on the uncollected check. Same was returned by the Canadian bank. On another occasion she used checks of the Commonwealth Savings Bank, Detroit, and the First State Bank, Tiskilwa, Ill. She is 20 years, 5 feet 5 inches, 140 pounds, has an oval face, dark brown hair brushed

straight back with a knot at the nape of the neck, blue serge suit and a black wide brim straw sailor with band of mixed colors. Barker is 40 years, 5 feet 10 inches, 170 pounds; has sandy hair, full face, dark suit. Barker makes the checks and Frances Bachman handles the bank transaction.

Edith H. Barker

ED. BAILEY. A member bank at Wathena, Kans., reported a loss sustained through cashing a check bearing a forged indorsement. Bailey fraudulently secured possession of a check mailed from an eastern point. Instead of returning the letter containing this check to the proper authorities he presented same for payment. Our detective agents are now searching for him. He is 48 years, 5 feet 10 inches, 175 to 180 pounds; has blue eyes, light brown hair, just turning, and stutters.

T. A. BEESLEY is reported by a member bank in Marshall, Mo., as being a worthless check operator. This man is about 23 years of age, 5 feet 10 inches, 140 pounds, ruddy complexion.

RALPH CARR. A beardless youth succeeded in defrauding an Elgin, Kans., member by means of a check bearing the forged signature of their customer. Carr had been working for a farmer in the locality and consequently had no difficulty in securing the funds. He is 18 years, 5 feet 11 inches, 160 pounds; has a sandy complexion with a few freckles.

H. C. DAVIS, alias A. C. Davis, Louis Smith, H. L. Ward, etc. A swindler using these names has been traveling through the state of Arkansas swindling merchants. During his tour he successfully operated against a member bank of Reyno, Ark., defrauding them by means of a check bearing the forged signature. He is 35 years, 6 feet, 170 pounds, tall and erect; has ruddy complexion.

A. C. Davis 38-50

H. C. DUNN (true name H. H. Mellor). This individual while confined in the Iowa Reformatory, Anamosa, Iowa, gained the confidence of a representative connected with a construction company of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, who eventually secured Dunn's release on parole. Dunn was then given employment with this concern. To show his gratitude Dunn stole several blank checks and passed them on agents and customers of this firm. A member bank of Cedar Rapids paid on these checks and therefore are the losers. Dunn is 29 years, 5 feet 6 1/4 inches, 156 pounds; has fair complexion, dark brown hair, slate-colored eyes. Is an architect by occupation. His bertillon



H. C. DUNN

measurements and finger print classifications are: 68.8 69.2 89.4 20.1 15.1 14.3 6.0 25.9 11.5 8.8 46.0; 17/1 I/II = 22.

Ben Dunn Des Moines?

H. E. ELLIS is drawing checks purporting to be issued by the Simmons Machinery Co., Memphis. A member bank receiving these checks through the clearings paid on same, thereby suffering a loss.

CHARITY WORKER IS FRAUD

Makes a purchase for a needy person, requests merchants check for change, raises check

C. R. FAY is a clever individual and has hit upon a novel scheme for defrauding banks. He appeared in the needy sections of Kansas City and posing as a representative of a charitable organization, brought several deserving persons to different stores, where purchases were made. Each purchase was paid for with a \$5 bill. In receiving his change he would ask for the merchant's check. These checks were later presented at the banks, being raised to substantial amounts. He is 40 years, 5 feet 10 inches, 145 pounds, of slender build.

E. D. FRANCIS, alias W. T. Post, has fleeced a DeKalb, Tex., member by forging the signature of their depositor to a \$100 check and securing the money. He is 22 years, 5 feet 3 inches, 135 pounds; has dark hair, complexion and eyes. He is a farm laborer. A reward of \$25 is offered by the bank.

J. C. HOWARD. A worthless check operator using this name called on a Bonners Ferry, Idaho, member and victimized them by securing funds on a check bearing the forged signature of one of their customers. Howard is a cook and camp man by occupation. He is 38 years, 5 feet 10 inches, 165 pounds; has ruddy complexion, gray eyes, sandy hair, turning, slightly bald on top; limps in left leg.

THOMAS E. LEWIS victimized a Chicago member by securing funds on a check bearing the forged signature of a Greek candy merchant. Lewis is a salesman for a Chicago firm, covering territory in Ohio and Pennsylvania. He is 23 years, 5 feet 8 inches; has brown hair and light complexion.

H. F. MAXWELL. While in the employ of Swift & Co.,

San Diego, Cal., Maxwell stole 42 blank checks and is forging the name of an official. Warrant has been issued. He is 32 years, 5 feet 6 inches, 140 pounds; has auburn hair, blue eyes, ruddy complexion. Electrician by trade.



WILLIS McCULLEY

WILLIS McCULLEY, while engaged as an oil field laborer, stole from his rooming house keeper two checks. After forging the payee's indorsement he presented the checks to a Bartlesville, Okla., member and secured the funds. Warrants have been issued and are held by the authorities at Bartlesville.

L. D. PHIPPS. By paying on checks received through the clearings a Kansas City, Mo., member has been victimized. The bank's customer, whose signature was forged, advised our detective agents that Phipps is an ex-employee of his concern. He is 26 years, 5 feet 11 inches, 160 pounds, light brown wavy hair, thick lips and prominent nose. A printer by occupation.

W. M. RICHARDSON. By clever penmanship Richardson raised a cashier's check on the Grapevine National, Grapevine, Tex., from \$3.50 to \$650. This check was then presented to an Ada, Okla., member who paid on same, giving the operator their cashier's check for \$350 and the balance in cash. This last check was presented for payment at a St. Louis, Mo., bank, but payment was refused as the Ada bank had stopped payment. After an investigation it was ascertained that Richardson had been living at the hotel where the check was cashed for a year past—that he was selling maps and claimed to be representing the Kenyon Printing Co., Des Moines, Iowa. Richardson as reference gave a Springfield, Mass., bank, stating that he was in the moving and transfer business. He is 35 years, 5 feet 10 inches, 135 pounds, slender build; has dark hair, light brown eyes and decidedly bowlegged.

W. M. Richardson

WILLIAM A. SCHLICK, alias Alfred F. Stewart, Capt. G. L. Byrum, Harry B. Altman, Charles Felcher, etc., has fleeced a member bank at El Paso, Tex., by issuing checks bearing the forged signatures of its depositors. The operator appeared in uniform. He is 25 years, 5 feet 9 inches, 160 pounds; has light complexion and blonde hair.

JAMES E. SHELTON. This individual using his connection with a reliable firm of Leesburg, Fla., succeeded in perpetrating a fraud against a local member. After mortgaging several boats and other property connected with the business in which he was engaged, Sheldon left for parts unknown. An indictment has been returned against him and at this time our agents are investigating his movements. He is 32 years, 5 feet 8 inches, 160 pounds; has light complexion,

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brown, wavy hair, blue or gray eyes. Is an automobile salesman and mechanic.

NONA SMITH. A young woman using this name defrauded a member bank at Oklahoma City. She inquired at the paying teller's window as to the balance of a certain account. Posing as the depositor, she produced a blank check and exhibiting to the teller two bandaged fingers, requested that he fill out same. Our detective agents are now searching for this operator.

R. STEIN. A party with this name received mail addressed as such. One of the letters contained a check, which he succeeded in cashing at a New York member bank, thereby defrauding them of a small amount.

S. THOMAS. A Chicago member bank has been victimized by paying upon a forged check purporting to have been issued by one of their depositors. Thomas is 32 years, 5 feet 7½ inches, 160 pounds; has dark hair and complexion, Jewish features, full face. Is slightly stoop-shouldered.

T. M. TREESE recently operated in Ada, Okla. Working for a carpenter, he stole several of his blank checks and passed them on various merchants. The bank paid, thereby suffering a loss.

E. C. WILSON. A Buffalo, N. D., member reports the operations of a swindler posing as a representative of a St. Paul newspaper. This publication has no authorized representatives. He is 32 years, 5 feet 10 inches, erect, light complexion with sharp features.



HARRY WILSON

HARRY WILSON (true name Percy Blackwell), alias J. C. Corbin, Alex. Evans, J. H. Robinson, is working throughout the state of West Virginia. His mode of operation is to open accounts with bogus checks drawn on a nearby bank, these checks purporting to be pay checks of some West Virginia firm. He has had a habit of opening his new account with the paper of his last victim. He is 28 years, 5 feet 7½ inches, 137 pounds; has brown hair, blue eyes and medium fair complexion. His bertillon measurements are: 71.0 79.0 90.0 19.4 14.7 13.8 6.5 25.1 11.3 9.0 45.5.

Harry Wilson
J. C. Corbin J. H. Robinson

LOST NOTES

The Empire Trust Company at St. Joseph, Mo., reports that their patron has lost or had stolen three notes in the amounts of \$100, \$500 and \$1,000. These notes are payable to Katherine Monroe, Agnes D. Burke and the above-mentioned bank, respectively. Should these notes be presented, kindly notify the interested bank.

A bank member at San Antonio, Tex., reports the loss of two notes of the Bank of Spain for 500 pesetas each, numbered 0544467 and 0314892. Any bank receiving these notes will kindly advise this Department at once.

INFORMATION DESIRED

The following article is one of great importance to a member bank of North Carolina

Will any bank that certified a check for \$750 for one of their depositors who was staying at Asheville, N. C., the early part of April, kindly notify this department as to the name of the depositor and details relative to certifying the check. The attention of the banks in Indiana and Ohio is particularly called to this matter, although it is just possible the check was certified in some other state than the two mentioned.

The following bonds were stolen from The Cadiz Bank of Cadiz, Ky., on July 23, 1917:

L. & N. Bonds:

One \$1,000—No. 27823—4 per cent.
One \$1,000—No. 27824—4 per cent.
One \$1,000—No. 22995—4 per cent.
One \$1,000—No. 49596—4 per cent.

Southern Railway Bonds:

One \$1,000—No. 3063—4 per cent.
One \$1,000—No. 12223—5 per cent.

Nashville Street Railway Bond:

One \$1,000—No. 5758—5 per cent.

Any one having information as to the whereabouts of any of the above bonds, will please advise The Cadiz Bank, Cadiz, Ky.

J. R. VINSON, *Cashier.*

GENERAL

ROY ATKINSON endeavored to secure funds on a check bearing the forged signature of his employer. The member bank becoming suspicious, refused to pay on same and upon learning that it was a forgery had Atkinson arrested. He is 39 years, 5 feet 10½ inches; has gray eyes, medium brown hair and ruddy complexion.

E. E. BARNES is drawing bogus drafts on the First National Bank of Greenfield, Mass. He has thus far confined his efforts to Massachusetts. Barnes is 35 years, 5 feet 8 inches, 145 pounds, medium build, fair complexion, hair graying.

R. A. BOGGESE, bogus check operator, has been arrested at Lakeport, Cal. In 1913 this party issued numerous checks on the Bank of Bisbee, Bisbee, Ariz., all being returned marked "no account."



JAMES W. BRADLEY

JAMES BRADLEY, alias J. H. Hartley, J. H. Baker, etc., recently secured a check book on the Ladd & Bush Bank, Salem, Ore. With this book in his possession he succeeded in defrauding a number of merchants and hotel proprietors in the vicinity of Salem. Our agents were notified and on June 17, 1917, they caused his arrest, having located him at the Oregon Hotel in Portland. He is 40 years, 5 feet 6 inches, 160 pounds, ruddy complexion.

F. C. BROBST, publisher, has defrauded several New York supply houses by means of a bogus cashier's check drawn on the Prudential Trust Co., Boston, Mass. He claims to be the owner of the *Los Angeles Democrat*. Is 55 years, 5 feet 8 inches, 200 pounds, gray hair and mustache.

F. C. Brobst



LEO SHOTWELL

LEO CARNINE, alias Leo Shotwell (real name), alleged forger and locomotive fireman, was rearrested at Pueblo, Colo. Carnine was arrested last May, but escaped from the authorities at Bridgeport, Neb.

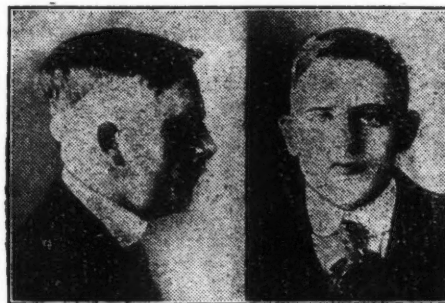
HOWARD C. CURTIS, alleged forger, has been arrested at Atlanta, Ga. Curtis, while an inmate of the Illinois State Reformatory, stole a number of checks of a printed form, used and countersigned by an official of the institution. He operated solely upon hotels and individuals.

STEPHEN CODAR, alias S. Conde, forgery. Having been convicted on three separate counts of forgery, Codar was sentenced to the California State Penitentiary, San Quentin. He received 2 years on two counts and 1 year on the third, totaling 5 years. While being transferred to San Quentin Codar



STEPHEN CODAR

escaped from his keeper at San Francisco, at the time they were leaving the steamer *Yale*. He is now wanted as a fugitive from justice.



RALPH EDWARDS

RALPH EDWARDS, alias George Gerard. Evidently Edwards likes the atmosphere surrounding the Providence County Jail, as he is again serving a three months' sentence at that point for issuing worthless checks. On January 19, 1917, Edwards, using the name of Gerard, was arrested at Providence, R. I., and sentenced to a term of three months in the county jail. Immediately after being released Edwards again took up his operations with worthless checks on the Liberty National and the Greenwich Bank, New York. After obtaining sufficient money he proceeded to Providence and on June 23, 1917, was again arrested. At the present time he is making a three months' visit with his old friends in the East Providence Jail.

GEORGE N. FARRIN, forger. In September, 1916, it is alleged that Farrin, who is an attorney, secured money on a bogus check. In May, 1916, the Federal Grand Jury, sitting at Portland, Ore., indicted Farrin for this crime. Recently the authorities of Portland read news articles of an arrest in Great Falls, Mont., of a man named Farrin. The exchange of photographs resulted in a positive identification. Farrin will escape the Montana charge, but must meet the Federal charges and will be returned to Portland for trial.

W. H. GRAHAM, alias W. H. Hart. Working as an attendant at a country club, Graham stole several checks and forged the manager's signature to them. He was successful in defrauding local merchants. Graham had a passion for silk shirts and it was learned that he had left some at a local laundry. A few days after his disappearance Graham, using the name of Hart, wrote from Mason City, Iowa, asking that they be mailed to that point. The authorities were notified and his arrest followed.

B. HARRINGTON, alias H. Stanley Simpson, John W. Dean, Winston Manning, etc., was on July 1, 1917, arrested at Baltimore, Md., by the local authorities, charged with passing bogus checks.

A. J. HARRIS, worthless check operator and hotel swindler, was arrested at Helena, Ark., at the request of the management of the Peabody Hotel of Memphis, Tenn. Harris claimed to be an auditor for a local concern.

R. C. JACKSON is a name used by an operator who recently victimized merchants in Kansas City by operating with stolen checks. He is 25 to 30 years, 5 feet 9 inches, 172 pounds, muscular build, ruddy complected, bluish gray eyes. Claims Atlanta, Ga., as his home.



GEORGE N. KERPEN

GEORGE N. KERPEN, alias George J. Rice, Charles L. Dean, Joseph H. Doyle, Geo. H. Barth, etc., actor, has given his last performance of worthless check passing for some time to come. We first heard of this party in March, 1916, at which time, using his true name, George N. Kerpen, he secured money on a worthless check from a New York member bank. Kerpen being acquainted with the cashier had no difficulty in securing the funds. His success evidently encouraged him to try this method again. On June 25 our detective agents at Birmingham reported the arrest of Geo. J. Rice, charged with forgery. From the data supplied Rice was identified as Kerpen. He is being held.



B. C. KRESS

B. C. KRESS, a civil engineer, who has been defrauding merchants and hotels by means of worthless drafts on his former employers, was on June 23, 1917, arrested in Chicago, upon information supplied by our detective agents at that point. He will be returned to Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario, Canada, where he defrauded a bank. He is also wanted by the

Montana Bankers Association for defrauding individuals. See their bulletin No. 214. Kress is 35 years, 5 feet 8 inches, 160 pounds, brown hair.

J. R. MOORE is operating in the vicinity of Boone, Iowa, with checks on the First National Bank, Boone, Iowa. He has used the following names: J. R. Baker, J. R. Scott, Chas. E. Schroeder, Chas. E. Thompson and J. Robert Scott.

JOHN W. MOORE, broker and at one time banker, has been arrested for the Louisville, Ky., authorities, being charged with passing an alleged worthless check for \$4,900.

C. A. PRICE, alias C. A. Perkins, forger, was on June 25 arrested at Shreveport, La. Price, a paroled forger, was engaged as a stenographer in the warden's office of the Louisiana State Penitentiary. While thus engaged he stole from that office a \$300 check and secured the money from a Baton Rouge, La., restaurant keeper. He will be returned to finish his term in the Louisiana prison.

J. M. QUINN, alias J. H. Howard, alias J. M. Pennix, worthless drafts, was arrested at Lewisville, Ark. An article relative to this operator was published on page 118 of the February, 1917, JOURNAL-Supplement.

H. J. SIMS, accountant. On May 29, 1917, the local authorities of Kansas City, Mo., arrested H. J. Sims, charged with forging his employer's name to several checks. He is 41 years, 5 feet 7 inches, 145 pounds, ruddy complexion.

ALBERT A. STRAUSS, inventor and promoter. A member bank of New York City reported the operations of Strauss to our agents, who effected his arrest. This operator did not defraud a bank, but was very successful in convincing the merchants that his checks on the Guaranty Trust, New York, were bona fide. He is being held on charges preferred by different merchants.

HELEN H. WALLACE was arrested in Kansas City, Mo., on June 16 for negotiating a worthless check at a local tailoring shop. She is 30 years, 5 feet 8 inches, 130 pounds; has blue eyes, dark complexion, dark brown hair.

HARRY WATSON, worthless check operator and trained nurse, has been arrested at Memphis, Tenn., upon a telegraphic request from the Omaha, Neb., authorities. His bertillon measurements are: 64.6 71.0 87.2 19.3 15.5 13.8 6.9 24.9 11.0 8.5 43.8. He has several tattoo marks, the initials A. L. H. in red and blue ink, a woman's head, an angel's head, an anchor and clasped hands, and a sailor boy and girl.

B. G. Adams

MARION WHEELER is reported by a non-member bank of Lowry City, Mo., at which place Wheeler negotiated a forged check. He is 33 years, 5 feet 8 inches, 140 pounds, slender build; has dark hair and complexion.

J. C. WILLIS, alleged former banker, was arrested in Chicago, charged with operating a confidence game involving \$5,000 in bad checks.

LOU WINEBERGER, forger. The arrest of this operator was effected at Phelps, Wis. He has been returned to Fossil, Ore., for trial.

ARRESTED

SUSPECTS ARRESTED

Implicated in the Tuskahoma Case

In the July, 1917, JOURNAL Supplement we published an article relative to the disastrous ending of the attempted holdup of the First State Bank of Tuskahoma, Okla. We told of the killing, by the posse, of Ben Willis and Grover Merrill and the capture of Henry Clair, who was badly wounded. Subsequent events make it necessary for us to dwell further upon this matter.

Following the attack on the bank, Sheriff Fitzgerald of Hugo, Okla., caused the arrest of a woman named Iola Rankin and two men, A. Bear and C. P. Winfield. These three were implicated in the attempt against the bank, information having been secured to that effect through the informant who first warned the authorities of the plans to rob the member.

The Rankin woman is the wife of Charles Rankin, recently sentenced to ten years in the Oklahoma State Penitentiary for participating in the holdup of the Boswell, Okla., bank, his companions being Searcy Hawkins and Harve Adams, now fugitives from justice. The two men are ex-convicts and it is believed are now wanted for having escaped from the Penitentiary at McAlester.

A representative of our detective agents interviewed the robbers, but was unable to prevail upon them to talk. When questioning Henry Clair he stated that he would talk providing he lived. The possibility of his living is very doubtful.

The three suspects will be held for further examination.

JOHN E. ARCHER, forger. A member bank reported to our Pittsburgh agents the facts surrounding the operations and arrest of John E. Archer. A short investigation was made following his arrest by the police of Bellevue, Pa. Archer, while acknowledging his part in several forgeries against a member, which caused them to be defrauded by paying on forged checks received through the clearings, endeavored to implicate a playmate of his. After being confronted with considerable evidence Archer finally confessed that he was the sole operator.

FLOYD C. BACON. A member bank at Conneaut, Ohio, reported the operations of Bacon, who victimized them by drawing checks against his employer's account after he was no longer connected with him. A customer of this bank arranged with them whereby they would honor all checks issued by Bacon. This agreement ran along for several weeks and worked satisfactorily until Bacon completed the work upon which he was engaged and his employer failed to cancel the instructions issued to the bank. Grasping this opportunity Bacon began to issue checks and in each instance succeeded in securing the money on them. He was traced by our agents to Cleveland, where on July 12, 1917, his arrest was effected.

WALTER BEUREN, forger. A member bank of El Paso, Tex., reported to our Denver agents that they had been defrauded by paying on checks bearing the forged signature of a customer. A short investigation developed the fact that Walter Beuren was the guilty party. Beuren was a color sergeant attached to the Twelfth Cavalry, stationed at Columbus, N. M., but is now listed as a deserter. His wife was located at Phoebus, Va. From her our agents learned that Beuren had been arrested and was being held in the Luna County Jail, Deming, N. M. Before the El Paso officials could act Beuren effected his escape and is now a fugitive from justice. He is 39 years, 5 feet 7 inches, 150 pounds, medium build, blue eyes, dark brown hair; German.

LAWYERS' COMMON ENEMY

Apprehended in Boston, W. L. Campbell has successfully matched his wits against those of many prominent attorneys

At last, thanks to the efforts of the Boston police authorities, the attorneys of the larger cities can again conduct their business transactions without fear of being duped by one of the cleverest worthless draft swindlers that has been brought to the attention of this department.

In an article appearing in the March, 1917, issue of the JOURNAL Supplement we mentioned the operations of Louis A. Ackley. In this article we described his method of operation,



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explaining how he would call upon an attorney, usually one who represented some bank—how he would arrange to have a collection of a note made, supply the attorney with an address in a nearby town. He would then proceed to that address, secure the letter to which in the meanwhile the attorney had written making a demand for immediate payment, and answer same enclosing a bogus check in payment. He would then write a letter to himself at the address which he had supplied the attorney as his. This letter in substance stated that a certain attorney had requested a settlement and that his personal check in full had been forwarded. Armed with this, Ackley would call upon the attorney and present the letter. The attorney having received the letter containing the bogus check just previous to Ackley's call would naturally be off his guard, and seeing an easy fee in sight would either pay him the amount of the check less his fees or would introduce him at the bank and thereby suffer a loss by having his account charged with the amount of the check when same would be returned as worthless.

On June 23 Ackley, under the alias of John J. Murray, was arrested in Boston following a successful attack upon a Providence bank and a Fall River attorney. In these operations he assumed the names of Robert R. Roberts and Walter F. Fleming respectively.

We are showing this swindler's photograph in hopes of securing a further record of his operations and history.

attorney for C. E. Goodhue
Robert R. Roberts

J. B. CARNEY, alias Steve Carney, wanted for defrauding an Oklahoma City member, was on June 30 arrested by our agents and the local authorities, being charged with forging the signature of the bank's customer. Carney is 25 years, 5 feet 7 inches, 140 pounds, black hair and eyes. Is a moving-picture actor.

CHARLIE CARTER, alleged bank robber and murderer. In the JOURNAL Supplement for January, 1917, we published an article concerning the holdup and murder of Clarence A. Glass, cashier of the First State Bank, Point, Tex. We mentioned the arrest of Charlie Carter as a suspect. Since this article appeared Carter has been released, following an investigation made by the authorities of Point, Tex. After releasing Carter a J. N. Berger was arrested and indicted, charged with the murder of Cashier Glass. While Berger was awaiting trial a quiet investigation was being made of Carter's movements, and it is alleged that he has been expending money in excess to what he is earning. Considerable of the money used was in nickels and quarters. It will be remembered that the money stolen from the bank consisted of the above-mentioned denomination. Our agent at Dallas, Tex., was notified that Carter was again wanted for this crime. The Dallas police were notified and late on the evening of July 2, 1917, his arrest was accomplished. When searched several dollars' worth of nickels and quarters were found on him.

W. L. DUGGER, swindler. Our Kansas City detective agents and the Joplin police arrested Dugger at Joplin, Mo. A member bank at Hillsboro, Tex., was defrauded by Dugger in 1915, he disposing of property mortgaged to them. Dugger is 40 years, 5 feet 10½ inches, 170 pounds, blue eyes, black hair, small grayish moustache.

W. A. HARSHAN, who defrauded a member bank at Parsons, Kans., was located at Dallas, Tex., by our agents. On June 20 he was arrested and returned to Parsons.

WILLIAM HAYDEN, alias D. Price, J. B. Howell, Wm. Stevenson. Had Hayden remained at his old occupation of "boot legging," more than likely he would still be enjoying the profits of his trafficking in liquor. Not content with these means of securing money, Hayden branched off with a side issue of forging checks, which resulted in his arrest by our Seattle agents. Hayden defrauded a Portland member. He is 40 years, 5 feet 9 inches, 170 pounds, gray mixed hair, slender build.

C. W. JING, alias Chin Wo, Chinese, who defrauded a Boston member through the medium of a check bearing a forged indorsement, was on June 20 arrested by the Boston police and our agents. Jing is 33 years, 5 feet 5 inches, 135 pounds, yellowish complexion.

AN IMPORTANT ARREST

A wide-awake teller caused the apprehension of a member of the "Cash" Gang

We take this means of congratulating Paying Teller Dow, connected with the Bergen branch of the New Jersey Title Guarantee & Trust Co., Jersey City. Through the wide-awake tactics of Mr. Dow we are able to report the arrest of what we believe is an inside member of the "Cash" Gang of New York mail box thieves.

From time to time we have issued warnings relative to the operations of this clique of forgers and have solicited the aid of the tellers.



EMIL KOCKER

On July 9, 1917, Emil Lewis Kocker approached the teller and presented a "Cash" check for \$58, indorsed on the back, James Connelly. Remembering our warning article, Mr. Dow began to question Kocker with the view of telephoning the maker to verify the transaction. Kocker became frightened and rushed from the bank followed by Mr. Dow and another employee. The chase was taken up by a traffic officer, who finally overtook Kocker and placed him under arrest.

We are reproducing a photograph of this operator in the hope that some of the defrauded members may recognize it as the party who operated against them.

Kocker's bertillon measurements are 64.0 67.0 90.3 18.0 14.1 6.4 25.2 10.8 8.5 42.9 Finger print classification is 29/22 1/00 = 0.

WILLIAM LODTMAN, alias B. J. Frawley, Dr. J. H. Lorenz, Chas. A. Brush, etc., an international swindler, was arrested at Philadelphia by the local authorities. By arresting Lodtman the Philadelphia police have stopped a continual flow of worthless check complaints. We presume he places the responsibility of his arrest upon the shoulders of the Kaiser. Previous to our difficulties with Germany, Lodtman posed as a war correspondent and ex-German soldier, always exhibiting his alleged passport as means of identification. When diplomatic relations with Germany were severed, it necessitated changing his mode of operation. This was the cause of his arrest.

J. W. LOGAN, alias W. B. Warner, R. W. Bush, R. E. Ludevich. On July 6, 1917, J. W. Logan was turned over to the Houston authorities, he having been recognized by an employee of a local bank, as answering the description of an operator warned of by our Houston detective agents. He is 24 years, 5 feet 10 inches, 130 pounds; has black hair, blue eyes, sallow complexion.

HERBERT MARTIN, alias Herbert Crawford, and his wife, JUNE MARTIN, are being held at Franklin, La., charged with forgery. The Martins in some manner became familiar with the signature of a customer of a Morgan City, La., member bank. Putting this information to good advantage, they were able to victimize the member. The bank, upon discovering the fraud, succeeded in locating the swindlers and requested the Franklin authorities to arrest and hold them. A short investigation by our agents convinced the authorities that Mrs. Martin was the "penwoman," while Martin secured the funds. Herbert Martin used the following aliases: G. M. Day, Theodore or Teddy Herbert Martin. He is 26 years, 5 feet 9 inches, 140 pounds; has light brown hair, blue eyes. June Martin is 20 years, 5 feet 6 inches, 130 pounds; has light complexion, red hair, large blue eyes.

AIKEN MASON, alias H. B. Mason, W. T. Gamble, Jr. Representing himself to be a depositor of a Mansfield, La.,

member, he called the bank over the long-distance telephone and negotiated a loan. The forgery was not discovered until payment was due. All indications pointed towards Mason as the forger. Later developments substantiated the belief of our agents and after a short investigation in the vicinity of St. Louis, Mason's arrest was effected by our agents, when he called for a suit case that had been forwarded to him.

T. J. McARDLE, alias J. Marshall, Wm. Bondell, T. J. McCarl, T. J. McArele. Using the name of Marshall, this operator successfully attacked a member of Portland, Ore., by means of a forged check in a small amount. Following his arrest by our Portland detective agents, aided by the local authorities, McArdle, alias Marshall, made a complete confession covering four years of successful worthless check operations.

J. Marshall.

CAPTURED AFTER DAYLIGHT HOLD-UP.

Bank robbers foiled in bold attempt and captured after a fight

On the afternoon of July 5 Conde, S. D., was the scene of a bold daylight bank holdup. At about 2.30 p. m. the inhabitants of Conde noticed two young men in an automobile stop near the Bank of Conde. Of course, this was not an unusual sight, but owing to the fact that these young were fully armed and masked, naturally their curiosity was aroused. By good fortune a police officer chanced to be one of the observers. He immediately grasped the situation and formed a posse, surrounding the bank.

In the meanwhile these two men, later being identified as FRANK McBRIDE and LOUIS MILES, entered the bank and at the point of a gun held up Cashier McMillan and his assistant, Miss Little, forcing them to hand over \$6,500. McMillan and Miss Little were then compelled to enter the vault. This is where they should be given considerable credit for the cool manner in which they parleyed with their captors, thus delaying the would-be bandits until help could arrive.

Having locked the employees in the vault, the robbers left the bank and were immediately set upon. After the melee McBride and Miles surrendered. McBride was badly wounded. They confessed to having planned this holdup several months ago. The automobile used by the bandits was stolen from a tire salesman, whom they held up and tied to a tree about three miles north of Conde. During the battle F. J. Clifford, a mail clerk, was injured. The two men are being held at Redfield for trial.

E. O. MEYERS and WM. F. MULLIGAN, two soldiers stationed near El Paso, Tex., were arrested on June 14, 1917, charged with forging the signature of an officer of their company. A member bank in El Paso reported that they had been defrauded by paying on one of their customer's forged checks, it having been received through the clearings. A representative from the Denver office of our detective agents was assigned. After several days' investigation, leads pointed toward Meyers and Mulligan. They were questioned and, of

course, denied having any knowledge of the affair. Being positive that he had the guilty parties, the investigator arranged to have the suspects identified. In this he was successful, the two being turned over to the military authorities to be tried by court martial.

MILLIGAN ARRESTED AGAIN

Forger, twice arrested for same offense, escaping twice, is again arrested

JOHN A. MILLIGAN, alias James A. Miller, etc., is again in custody, this time at Evansville, Ind. Milligan has led a very exciting life since January of this year and has been very successful in escaping from the authorities following his arrests.

We have published articles relative to this operator in the following issues of the JOURNAL Supplement: January, pages 109-110; April, page 154, and May, 1917, page 174. We told how he used the alias of James A. Miller and victimized a member at Tulsa, Okla., also a prominent merchant at Dallas, Tex., by securing money on checks bearing the



J. A. MILLIGAN

forged signature of a wealthy Tulsa Indian. Our agents effected his arrest at Tulsa on December 1, 1916; he secured bond and forfeited same. He was again arrested by our agents at Fordyce, Ark., on April 3, 1917. He made a strong fight against extradition to Texas, but lost his case. On April 29 he escaped from the custody of the Dallas sheriff.

Following Milligan's last escape this department began to receive reports of the operations of a swindler using the following names: Stephen E. Shuman, John T. Mason, J. C. Wells, John Wilson and John T. Marshall, who was drawing bogus checks against the following banks: First National, Fordyce, Ark.; Orichita National, Monroe, La.; American Savings, Springfield, Mo.; Aetna Trust & Savings Co., Indianapolis, Ind.; Akron Exchange Bank, Akron, Ind., and the First National, Terre Haute, Ind. The work of this swindler was recognized as that of Milligan.

The credit of Milligan's last arrest is due to Superintendent of Police E. Schmitt, Evansville, Ind., who secured a complete confession.

Milligan is an ex-convict, 54 years, 5 feet 7½ inches, 154 pounds, medium stout, sallow complexion, gray blue eyes, gray mixed hair.

WYATT L. NIX, alleged to have been implicated in the "Certificate of Deposit" swindle perpetrated against member banks located in Oklahoma and Texas, surrendered to Sheriff Gardner at Dallas, Tex. He secured bond and is now at liberty.



J. J. O'NEIL

JOSEPH J. O'NEIL, alias John B. Dunn, forger. This operator, using the name of Dunn, called on a member bank of Spokane and presented a \$210 check for payment. The bank accepted same for collection and finally paid Dunn \$30 on account, besides allowing him to come in possession of a check book. Following this transaction, Dunn immediately flooded the merchants with his checks, the bank returning all unpaid. Later developments proved that the check had been stolen. This information, however, was not received before the member bank had been notified that the check was good and had credited Dunn's account with the full amount, thereby suffering a loss.

Our detective agents were notified and after a short investigation Dunn was located in a local hotel and his arrest followed.



RAPHAEL PHILLIPS

RAPHAEL PHILLIPS, alias Phillipino, a Phillipino boy and ex-convict, has been arrested in Brooklyn, N. Y. He will have to answer on three different indictments. A member bank at Newport, R. I., has suffered a loss by his transactions. He is a cook and second boy by occupation.

OLD OFFENDER ARRESTED

GEO. R. SALISBURY, bank swindler, is again under arrest, due to information furnished by our Philadelphia and Birmingham detective agents. In previous issues of the JOURNAL Supplement we have published articles concerning this individual and his operations. These articles may be found in the issues for February, 1911; June, 1911; May, 1912; September, 1912; April, 1913; May, 1913; June, 1914, and June, 1917. Making an investigation for a Birmingham, Ala., member, our agents located Salisbury at Shelby, N. C.,

where he was arrested by the local authorities at the request of our agents. He will be returned to Birmingham for trial. Prison sentences do not seem to teach Salisbury the desired lesson, for he is no sooner released from prison when he again takes up his operations. Our agents are furnishing the authorities with the criminal history of this operator and it is hoped that a sentence that will offset his criminal record will be passed.

HEBER B. SCHULTHESS, alias Arnold H. Schulthess. After victimizing a member of Salt Lake City, Utah, by forging his father's signature to a \$50 check, Schulthess left for parts unknown. Following a short investigation he was located in Los Angeles, Cal., working as a bell boy, his arrest being effected by our Los Angeles detective agents.

MRS. JANET STEWART, alias Harriet Berner, Mary Jones. Using the name of Harriet Berner, this operator victimized two New York City member banks by securing the funds on three checks bearing the forged signature of their depositor. On July 12 a representative of the New York office of our detective agents located this woman at a local jewelry store and aided the New York authorities in effecting her arrest. A complete confession was made. She is 36 years, 5 feet 7 inches, 140 pounds, has medium dark complexion, dark brown hair and eyes.

TWAIN SULLIVAN, swindler. On June 23 our detective agents and the sheriff at Mountain Home, Idaho, arrested Sullivan while he was paying one of his relatives a visit. A further account will be found in the warning column of the JOURNAL Supplement for July, 1917.

PHILIP WACHTER. In the JOURNAL Supplement for June, 1917, we published an article relative to the operations of Wachter. On July 10 he was arrested at Scranton, Pa., by local authorities and taken to Reading, Pa., on a charge there. A detainer has been lodged against him by a bank member at Centralia, Pa., for use when the Reading charge has been disposed of.

REMOVED

LOUIS A. ACKLEY, alias John J. Murray, W. L. Campbell, etc., was on July 16, 1913, sentenced to 2½ to 5 years at the Massachusetts State Prison, Charlestown, Mass. Detainer warrants should be lodged with the warden.

JOHN ASHLEY, holdup, was sentenced to 17 years at the Florida State Penitentiary, Tallahassee, Fla.

C. BAILEY, bogus checks, on April 8, 1917, was sentenced from 1 to 10 years in the Michigan State Penitentiary, Jackson, Mich.

WALTER BUEREN, forgery, escaped, fugitive from justice.

CARL CARLSON, alias Roy Moore, forgery, indeterminate sentence at Elmira Reformatory, Elmira, N. Y.

ARVEL CARTER, alias Frank Smith, released, insufficient evidence to convict.

H. E. COLBY, worthless checks, plead guilty, fined \$50 and costs.

C. W. DABNEY, alias E. F. Hunter, forgery, was on December 15, 1916, sentenced to an indeterminate term in the Colorado State Reformatory, Buena Vista, Colo.

HARVIE A. DAVIS, bogus check, plead guilty, placed on probation.

HORACE DEALLEN, alias Horace D. Allen, forgery, was sentenced to 5 years at the Indiana State Reformatory, Jeffersonville, Ind., sentence was immediately suspended.

J. H. DESMOND, alias H. B. Denton (true name H. B. Partridge), forged telegram, was sentenced to 2 years Texas State Penitentiary, Huntsville, Tex.

CORA A. DUNN, worthless draft, was sentenced from 1 to 14 years at the Idaho State Penitentiary, Boise, Idaho.

HARRY FOX, bogus checks, released from the county jail at Charlotte, N. C., after serving a few days over a year on a white slavery charge.

SANDY GRAY, forgery, released on bond and forfeited same. Is now fugitive from justice.

ALBERT HADLEY, alias Wm. Bowers, A. Henderson, etc., forgery, was sentenced under the name of Wm. McLain to 3 years at the California State Penitentiary, San Quentin, Cal.

JAKE HELD, alias Roy Smith, forgery, released by instructions of prosecuting attorney.

DR. H. L. HITNER, bogus draft, released, insufficient evidence to convict.

C. W. JING, alias Chin Wo, forgery, acknowledged his guilt, court suspended sentence and ordered restitution.

ABRAHAM JOHNSON, bogus checks, plead guilty, given short jail term.

CLARK JOHNSON, forgery, released, found not guilty.

NORVAL S. KING, holdup, was on October 10, 1916, sentenced to a term of 15 to 20 years in the Colorado State Penitentiary, Canon City, Colo.

MOLLIE LANGNER, swindle, Grand Jury failed to return an indictment; case dismissed.

WM. LODTMAN, worthless checks, was sentenced to 1 year in the county prison at Philadelphia, Pa.

BERNARD LOEHRS, bogus check, was paroled to the probation officer for a term of 2 years.

KUZMA MACHOWSKI, forgery, found not guilty. Bank employee was unable to make positive identification.

J. S. MAYES, alleged worthless check operator, released, lack of evidence.

FRANK MCBRIDE and LOUIS MILES, holdup, after a speedy trial were sentenced to 18 years each in the South Dakota Penitentiary, Sioux Falls.

R. T. McCONNELL, worthless drafts, released.

CHARLES C. NOBLE, forgery, sentenced to a term of 8 years in the California State Penitentiary, San Quentin, Cal.

JOSEPH J. O'NEIL, alias John B. Dunn, forgery, was sentenced to a term of 1 to 15 years in the Washington State Reformatory, Monroe, Wash.

CHAS. OWENS, alias Lee Briggs, Jerry Scanlon, C. T. Hill, etc., forgery, sentenced to a term of 3 years at the California Penitentiary, San Quentin, Cal.

SEVERIN PETERSON, forgery, released.

ABRAHAM REAL, forged check, released.

AMANDA RHYME, forgery, held two weeks in jail before securing bond, in consideration of her age and the time spent in jail, she was placed on probation.

PAT SAUS, forgery, released.

R. M. SCURLOCK, forgery, released, prosecuting attorney causing him to make complete restitution.

HOWARD WADE SHEPARD, alias H. Wade Shepard, bogus check, case dismissed, lack of evidence to convict, must reimburse the victims.

JAMES SHUTER, plead guilty, fined \$100.

MAURICE SISCO, alias Frank Bischoff, forgery, was sentenced in January, 1917, to a term of 2½ to 7 years at the Michigan State Penitentiary, Jackson, Mich.

F. W. SOMSTROM, forgery, was sentenced to 1 year in the Connecticut State Penitentiary, later paroled in charge of the probation officer.

LUTHER STOREY, forgery, was sentenced in October, 1916, to serve six months in the Shreveport, La., jail.

SIDNEY WOODHOUSE, forger, was sentenced to 2 years in the California State Penitentiary, San Quentin, Cal.

GEORGE YARGER, forgery, was sentenced to an indeterminate term in the Ohio State Reformatory, Mansfield, Ohio.

AWAITING ACTION

ALLEGED FORGERIES AND SWINDLES

Archer, John E., forgery, Bellevue, Pa.
 Bachrack, Morris, forgery, Wilkes-Barre, Pa.
 Bacon, Floyd C., forgery, Conneaut, Ohio.
 Bland, W. F., bogus certificate of deposit, Yale, Okla.
 Blankman, David, forgeries, Boston, Mass.
 Boxley, P. H., bogus certificate of deposit, Hugo, Okla.
 Brady, S. A., forgery, Salt Lake City, Utah.
 Brock, J. A., forgery, Antlers, Okla.
 Broder, Otto F., forgery, Detroit, Mich.
 Buckles, Charles, forgery, Caruthersville, Mo.
 Bunch Essie, forgery, Memphis, Tenn.
 Bundy, H. C., forgery, San Francisco, Cal.
 Carney, J. B., forgery, Oklahoma City, Okla.
 Carter, Dave, forgery, Houston, Tex.
 Casey, R. C., forgery, Portland, Ore.
 Chalmers, Donald, bogus check, Hundred, W. Va.
 Chisholm, Frank, forgery, New York, N. Y.
 Churchill, Roy, forgery, Amarillo, Tex.
 Cogswell, A. J., forgery, New York, N. Y.
 Colwell, H. H., forgery, Plainview, Tex.
 Dugger, W. L., mortgage swindle, Hillsboro, Tex.
 Eisler, Joseph Ellis, bogus check, New York, N. Y.
 Evans, H. R., bogus certificate of deposit, Ada, Okla.
 Faith, James, forgery, Corona, N. M.
 Friese, Harold, worthless check, Bridgeport, Conn.
 Frosell, C. Gustave, bogus check, Chicago, Ill.
 Garnett, Chas. H., bogus certificate of deposit, Ada, Okla.
 Goble, V. R., forged notes, Concordia, Mo.
 Gore, Robert, forgery, Madison, W. Va.
 Grant, J. W., forgeries, Elwood City, Pa.
 Hanscom, F. Augustus, bogus checks, Boston, Mass.
 Harshan, W. A., forgery, Parsons, Kans.
 Hayden, William, forgery, Portland, Ore.
 Hix, J. S., bogus certificate of deposit, Ada, Okla.
 Hodge, Allie, raised check, Birmingham, Mich.
 Holden, E. N., forgery, Clay, W. Va.
 Howard, Felix, forgery, Houston, Tex.
 Johnson, J. T., bogus check, New Orleans, La.
 Jones, Edward E., forgery, El Paso, Tex.

Jones, J. Greeley, bogus certificates of deposit, Ada, Okla.
 Jones, J. M., attempt to swindle, Johnston, S. C.
 Klein, George, forgery, St. Joseph, Mo.
 Kocker, Emil, forgery, Jersey City, N. J.
 Larson, E. D., forgery, Bountiful, Utah.
 Lawless, George W., bogus checks, Detroit, Mich.
 Logan, J. W., worthless checks, Houston, Tex.
 Mack, J. W., bogus certificate of deposit, Hugo, Okla.
 Markowitz, Elias, forgery, New York, N. Y.
 Martin, Herbert, forgery, Franklin, Pa.
 Martin, June, forgery, Franklin, Pa.
 Mason Aiken, swindle, Kansas City, Mo.
 Massey, W. B., forgery, Blytheville, Ark.
 Matthews, J. D., bogus certificate of deposit, Cushing, Okla.
 McArdle, T. J., worthless checks, Portland, Ore.
 McCarthy, Elmore, forgery, Houston, Tex.
 McClanahan, J. A., forged notes, Concordia, Mo.
 Meyers, E. O., forgery, El Paso, Tex.
 Milligan, J. A., forgery, Dallas, Tex.
 Million, Gladys, forgery, New York, N. Y.
 Mulligan, Wm. F., forgery, El Paso, Tex.
 Nix, Wyatt L., bogus certificate of deposit, Hugo, Okla.
 Parker, Ed., swindle, Northport, Wash.
 Patton, Thomas W., worthless draft, Springfield, Ill.
 Peterson, Lawrence, forgery, St. Louis, Mo.
 Phillips, Raphael, forgery, Brooklyn, N. Y.
 Poche, Joseph L., worthless check, Center City, Minn.
 Printz, H. E., forgeries, New York, N. Y.
 Rembert, Julius, forgery, Houston, Tex.
 Robinette, I. T., Mt. Hope, W. Va.
 Roll, D. M., forgery, Evansville, Ind.
 Rollison, C. A., raised check, Waycross, Ga.
 Runnells, York, forgery, Houston, Tex.
 Salisbury, Geo. R., bogus checks, Birmingham, Ala.
 Schaeffer, Fred, forgery, Toledo, Ohio.
 Schulthess, Heber B., forgery, Salt Lake City, Utah.
 Scott, Walter A., forgery, Pasco, Wash.
 Shindler, Jack, forgery, Sioux City, Iowa.
 Shipman, Horace M., bogus draft, Oklahoma City, Okla.
 Simms, John, forgery, Houston, Tex.
 Soewell, Wm. H., swindle, Jacksonville, Fla.
 Stewart, Mrs. Janet, forgery, New York, N. Y.
 Story, Jim, bogus checks, Collinsville, Tex.
 Sullivan, Twain, swindle, Chester, Mont.
 Tisor, Carl R., accomplice of swindler, Forsyth, Mont.
 Van Leuven, Bert, worthless check, Salina, Kan.
 Wachter, Philip, forgery, Scranton, Pa.
 Ward, Charles C., forgery, Chicago, Ill.
 Warner, Lon, mortgage swindle, Higgins, Tex.
 Waters, Arthur James, forgery, Portland, Ore.
 Watkins, Jack, forgery, Houston, Tex.
 Weil, M. L., worthless draft, Elko, Nev.

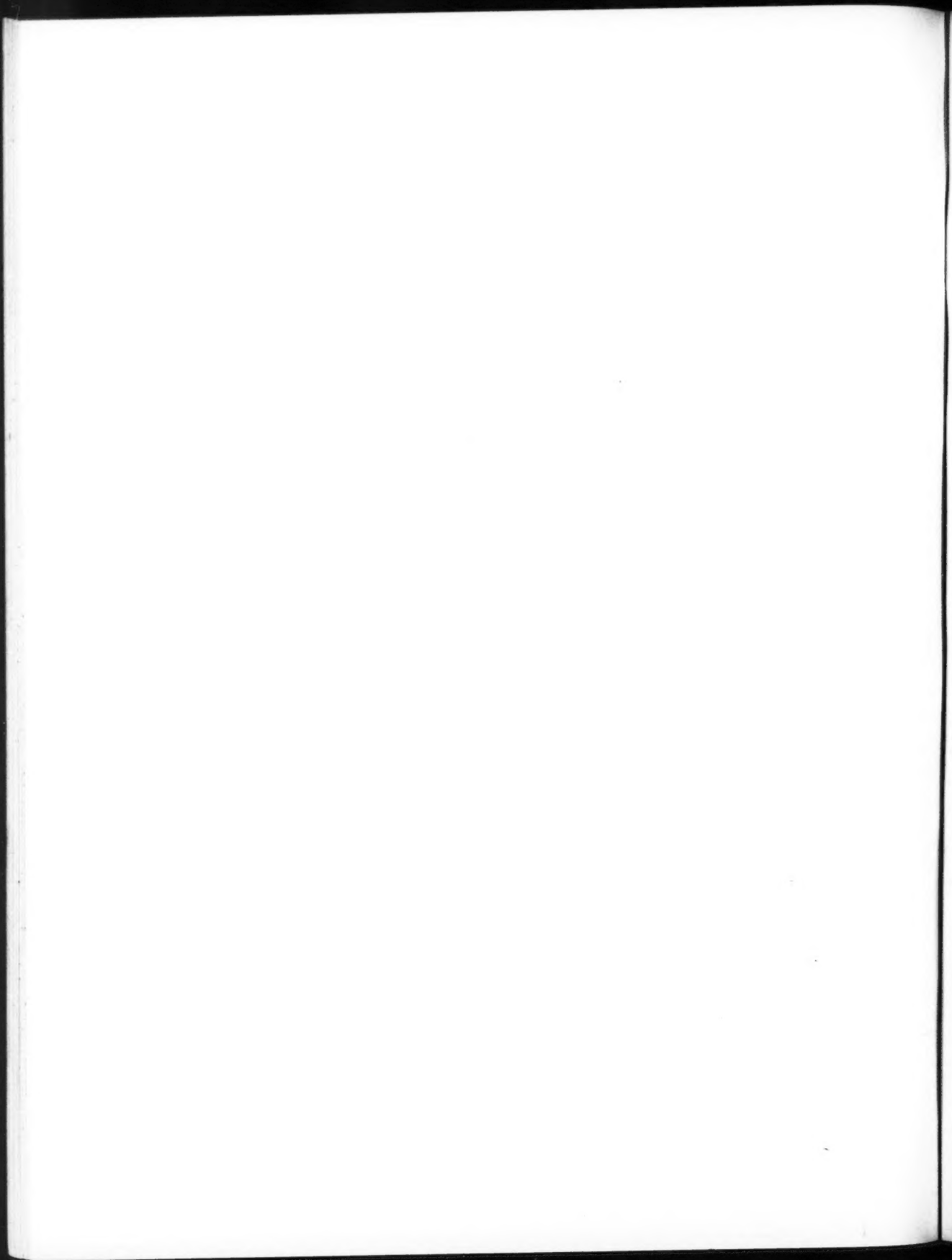
Weir, Robert John, worthless checks, San Francisco, Cal.
 Wetmore, Claude H., forgery, St. Louis, Mo.
 Willis, G. S., bogus check, Brooksville, Fla.
 Wisdom, G. C., bogus certificate of deposit, Cushing, Okla.
 Woods, Mingo, forgery, Houston, Tex.

BURGLARS AND HOLD-UP ROBBERS

Alderman, Hugh, hold-up, Homestead, Fla.
 Bear, A., suspected hold-up, Hugo, Okla.
 Bergens, J. W., robbery and murder, Point, Tex.
 Burton, Jack, attempted robbery, Lorain, Ohio.
 Carr, Jess, burglary, Lilly, Pa.
 Carden, Julius, hold-up, Heavener, Okla.
 Carsen, Grady, hold-up, Heavener, Okla.
 Carter, Charlie, alleged bank robber, Point, Tex.
 Clair, Henry, hold-up, Tuskahoma, Okla.
 Coyle, Leo, burglary, Lilly, Pa.
 Fortimer, Howard, contemplated robbery, Windsor, Ill.
 Fotaff, Thomas, attempted robbery, Lorain, Ohio.
 Garrick, Pat, burglary, Lilly, Pa.
 Jenkins, H. P., robbery, El Paso, Ark.
 Lemons, Doc, robbery, El Paso, Ark.
 Littrell, Jess, hold-up, Harrah, Okla.
 McKinney, Calvin, robbery, Crowder, Okla.
 Marvin, Harold, robbery, Oronogo, Mo.
 Perry, Julia, burglary, Lilly, Pa.
 Quattlebaum, Arthur, robbery, El Paso, Ark.
 Quattlebaum, John, robbery, El Paso, Ark.
 Quattlebaum, Sid, robbery, El Paso, Ark.
 Rankin, Iola, suspected hold-up, Hugo, Okla.
 Smith, Frank, hold-up, Heavener, Okla.
 Stone, Jim, robbery, El Paso, Ark.
 Winfield, C. P., suspected hold-up, Hugo, Okla.

STATISTICS OF THE PROTECTIVE DEPARTMENT

| | Awaiting trial, August 31, 1916 | Arrested since August 31, 1916 | Arrests in July, 1917 | Total | Convicted | Discharged or acquitted | Fugitive, escaped, insane or dead | Awaiting trial |
|----------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------|-------|-----------|-------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------|
| Forgers..... | 99 | 308 | 27 | 335 | 221 | 95 | 22 | 96 |
| Burglars..... | .. | 13 | .. | 13 | 2 | 7 | .. | 4 |
| Hold-up robbers..... | 14 | 50 | 6 | 56 | 39 | 8 | 1 | 22 |
| Total..... | 113 | 371 | 33 | 404 | 262 | 110 | 23 | 122 |



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MISSOURI, ST. LOUIS.—Railway Exchange Building.
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NEW YORK, NEW YORK.—Woolworth Building.
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AUGUST PROTECTIVE WORK

WARNING

MISUSE OF THE UNIFORM

Bank swindlers have been quick to take advantage of the appeal made by a khaki uniform. How many of them have secured by purchase or theft the dress which evidences loyalty and devotion cannot be calculated, but the reports of frauds against banks perpetrated by men whose single claim to attention is the uniform they wear are becoming daily more numerous. In every instance the operators have been found not to be soldiers or sailors, but the same old class of miscreants.

For the protection of the men in the army and navy, as well as for the protection of the banks, the Protective Department advises that bankers exercise due care in cashing checks or giving accommodation of any kind to men in uniform. No soldier or sailor will resent it. He will be more than glad to show his credentials and prove his identity, and thereby contribute to the detection of the crooks. The men of the army and navy will do their part in aiding the banks to secure the arrest of the men who are the enemies of both.

The warning is made necessary by the great number of incidents reported and by the additional information that the swindlers habitually work in vicinities where there are encampments.

THE RELIABLE MAGAZINE CIRCULATION COMPANY MENTIONED

At the present time there are two operators (Jews) working in the south who represent the Reliable Magazine Circulation Company of Atlanta, Ga., that are soliciting subscriptions to well-known publications, offering a "club plan" to gain their ends. These operators present at the banks in the territory that they are working, credentials which prove them to be bona fide representatives of this company. They arrange with the banks to discount all notes brought in by them. When these notes are presented by the bank to the makers payment is refused for the reason that the Circulation Company has failed to forward the magazines as contracted. The Federal authorities are interested in the swindling of this pair and are preparing a case against them.

F. A. ALLISON. This operator opens accounts in various banks using worthless checks on the Fifth-Third National Bank, Cincinnati; Hibernia Banking Association, Chicago; Franklin Bank, St. Louis; J. F. Wild & Co., State Bank, Indianapolis; Packers National Bank, Omaha, or Seymour National Bank, Seymour, Ind. He has a very pleasing disposition and has been unusually successful in securing funds on

uncollected items. He is 35 years, 5 feet 6 inches, 145 pounds; has florid complexion, sharp features, reddish brown hair.

F. A. Allison
35%

B. S. BARNES, who has been engaged as a tie contractor in the vicinity of Titusville, Fla., has successfully perpetrated a fraud against a local member. Barnes had arrangements with this member whereby they would advance him a certain amount on his bill of lading for cars containing shipments of ties. Recently Barnes appeared at the bank and presented three such bills. The bank in accordance with their agreement advanced money on each. These bills were later returned as forgeries. Our detective agents traced Barnes to Stantonburg, N. C., where all traces of him were lost. Members dealing with tie contractors should beware of this operator. We are unable to supply a reliable description.

G. W. BEERWORTH. By accepting notes which later proved to be forgeries a Buffalo member has been victimized by Beerworth. In March of this year Beerworth gave the member a promissory note payable to the American Burial Case Co. (Beerworth's concern) drawn on the Manufacturers & Traders National Bank, Buffalo, N. Y., purporting to be signed by an official of the Boston Burial Case Company. This transaction was followed by several others of a like nature. Subsequent events caused the member to make a short investigation, which disclosed the facts that Beerworth's concern had failed and that he had disappeared. He is 39 years, but looks older, 5 feet 8 or 9 inches, has florid complexion, light brown hair, very thin and tinged with gray, blue eyes, bulging and glazed.

G. W. Beerworth

GEORGE H. BENDER. Having in his possession a check of his employer, Bender made a tracing of the signature and secured funds from a member bank at Leviston, Mont. The member upon discovering the fraud, immediately swore to a complaint and a warrant is now in existence for Bender's arrest. He is 26 years, 5 feet 6 inches, 140 to 145 pounds; has blue eyes, brown hair. Face is pock-marked. Has a scar on his lower lip starting from the center of the lip. Speaks brokenly and deep in his throat.

ARTHUR L. BROWN, alias W. T. Smithers, has defrauded a Portland, Ore., member by means of a forged check purporting to have been issued by the Interior Warehouse Company, Portland. He has also used a Crown-Willamette Paper Company check which bore the forged signatures of two

officials of this company. He is 30 years, 5 feet 6 inches, 140 pounds, has dark brown hair, dark complexion.

The Oregon Bankers Association is financing this investigation with this Association.

HOWARD BROWN (negro). By forging the signature of his friend, Brown has defrauded a Chicago member who accepted a check drawn on their bank, purporting to have been made by their depositor. Brown is 30 years, 5 feet 7 inches, 160 pounds; has light complexion, gray eyes, gray black hair.

LEROY CREEL is operating with a check on the First National Bank, Harrington, Wash., and the State Bank, Connell, Wash. A member bank of Ritzville, Wash., accepted one of his checks at its face value, thereby suffering a loss. He is 21 years, 5 feet 6 inches, 121 pounds, has dark hair and complexion, dark brown eyes, small features and feminine speech.

H. W. DORGIN has defrauded a Providence, R. I., member by securing funds on a check bearing the forged signature of one of their customers. The operator is well known, as his home is in the vicinity of Providence. Dorgin is 22 years, 5 feet 10 inches, 160 pounds, has light complexion and sandy hair.

J. H. DOWDELL. A Pocatello, Idaho, member has been victimized by Dowdell, who has disposed of mortgaged property. Two years ago Dowdell borrowed money from the member and mortgaged several head of horses and cattle to cover his note. When this note fell due he asked for a continuance, after a short investigation the member discovered that the property had been sold to an outside party. A demand for payment was made, but same was not forthcoming. Dowdell has disappeared.

F. A. EBERHART, alias F. H. Orvis (true name F. H. Moreland). While employed as a time-keeper for a large mining corporation at Bingham, Utah, under his true name of Moreland, this operator defrauded a Salt Lake City member. A check drawn on the Copper State Bank, Copperfield, Utah, which later proved worthless, was used in the operation. This operator used the "rush act" on one of the officials of the injured bank and found no difficulty in convincing him that he was well known at the bank. Investigations have been made at Salt Lake City and Dallas, Tex. Moreland, alias Eberhart, is 32 years, 5 feet 6½ inches, 135 pounds, has brown hair, gray eyes.



F. P. FAULKNER

BEWARE OF COUNTERFEIT MINING STOCK

F. P. FAULKNER, alias L. D. West, N. H. Mills, Earl C. Davis, Earl Clyde Davis, E. F. Patterson, is again operating with his counterfeit Cresson Consolidated Gold Mining and Milling Company certificates. We made mention of this

operator in the May, 1917, issue of the JOURNAL Supplement, at which time we stated he was a fugitive from justice.

The certificate used by this operator is an exact facsimile of the original certificate issued by the Cresson people, who are reliable in every sense of the word. The certificates are usually payable to Faulkner and call for 200 shares. He is 51 years, 5 feet 3¾ inches, 160 pounds, heavy built; has a florid complexion, blue eyes. Face is slightly pock-marked with a deep scar on the right jaw. Particularly fond of cheap flashy jewelry, usually wears a cheap ring with a bright stone for a setting. Federal warrants have been issued for him.

J. FERRIS has defrauded a member of San Francisco, Cal., by means of a forged signature. Ferris in his capacity as a salesman for a check protectograph concern used his position to good advantage, to further his operations. Whenever the opportunity arose Ferris would steal blank checks from his customers. These checks would show up later bearing the forged signature of the customer. Had Ferris remained honest he could have made good profits from the sale of the machines. He is 24 years, 5 feet 8 or 9 inches, 150 pounds, has dark complexion, gray eyes with granulated lids; wears a Charlie Chaplin mustache.

The California Bankers Association is financing this investigation with this Association.

J. Ferris

RAY FISK. By securing funds on a worthless check, Fisk defrauded a Spokane, Wash., member. The check used in the transaction was drawn on the First State Bank, Deer Park, Wash. No available description is to be had at this time.

C. H. FORRESTER, JR. A Chicago member has suffered a loss through advancing funds on Forrester's check, which was returned as worthless. Using the fact that his father was well known by the local member, Forrester, Jr., seized upon this opportunity to secure his ill-gotten gains. A check on the Merchants Bank of Canada, Winnipeg, Manitoba, was used in the transaction. This operator is the black sheep of a well-to-do Canadian family. He is 25 years, 5 feet 6 inches, 125 to 130 pounds; has a ruddy complexion, red hair, brown eyes and a small red mustache.

*C.H. Forrester
Seventy Five*

ROBERT W. FOX, alias Roy L. Hampton. While employed as a solicitor for a tailoring firm of Chicago, this operator victimized a local member who paid upon checks bearing the forged indorsement of the above mentioned firm. Fox in making his collections failed to account for checks received, instead he forged the indorsements on same and appropriated the money for his own use. He is 27 years, 5 feet 7 inches, 135 pounds; has dark eyes, dark brown hair.

W. H. GOODE. By disposing of mortgaged property this operator has defrauded a member of Edmond, Okla., who is very desirous to prosecute. He is 45-48 years, 5 feet 6 inches, 140 pounds, has reddish hair, florid complexion and is smooth shaven.

D. E. GRANT, alias C. E. Grant. Operating with checks bearing the forged signatures of officials connected with the Wallenstein & Cohen Dry Goods Company, Wichita, Kan., Grant has victimized a Wichita member. Grant has been described as 25 to 30 years, 5 feet 9 inches, 140 pounds, has light complexion. Appeared to be well educated and refined.

PAUL H. GRAVES. Using a check drawn against the Bank of Topeka, Kan., Graves successfully operated against a Red Fork, Okla., member. At the time of the transaction Graves was visiting relatives and has since disappeared. Representatives of our Kansas City detective agents are now endeavoring to locate Graves, who, it is claimed, has enlisted under an assumed name. He is described as 30 years, 5 feet 7 inches, 165 to 170 pounds, has blue eyes and light complexion.

J. MATSUDA, Japanese. Member banks having accounts of Japanese depositors will do well to watch the accounts for withdrawals. This operator has been very successful in his transactions with member banks of San Jose, Cal., and vicinity. He loiters in the vicinity of ranch houses and as soon as the employees are in the field he enters the house and steals all their valuables. He then appears at the member bank in which his victim has his funds and cleverly forges the indorsement on the withdrawal order. He is 24 years, 5 feet 3 inches, 140 pounds, has dark hair, eyes and complexion; speaks excellent English.

The California Bankers Association is financing this investigation with this Association.

R. L. McKEE, alias C. S. Cooper. A member bank of Glendale, Cal., has suffered a loss, by paying upon an uncollected item. McKee opened an account with this member, having first gained its confidence through a business transaction with one of its customers. A check on the Cordell National Bank, Cordell, Okla., was used in the deal. He is described as 55 years, 5 feet 6 inches, 130 pounds, has gray hair and eyes. Articles relative to this operator have appeared in the March and April, 1914, and the June, 1915, issues of the JOURNAL Supplement.

The California Bankers Association is financing this investigation with this Association.

E. McNEELY. A party representing himself as such defrauded a Campbell, Tex., member by means of a forged draft drawn on the Cumby State Bank. Following the return of the draft it developed that an impostor had secured the funds. Several suspects were examined and at the present time our agents are endeavoring to locate the operator. The impostor is described as being 25 years, 140 pounds, has dark complexion, dark eyes and dark brown hair.

FRANK MILLER. A member bank of Reading, Pa., desires that we report the operations of Miller. This individual, while employed as an automobile mechanic, stole from his employer ten blank checks which were specially printed and bears the firm's names—"Peoples Garage, Geo. D. Barry, Prop'r." Since leaving the employ of Barry this operator has passed several of the checks in Detroit and Cincinnati. It is presumed that Miller gains the confidence of automobile supply dealers and then defrauds them by paying for articles with one of these stolen checks. Miller is described as 35 to 40 years, 5 feet 6 inches, thin; has sandy hair and mustache, very heavy beard.

These checks are drawn on the Penn National Bank, Reading, Pa., and have a cut of William Penn thereon.

A. W. MILLER. By raising a check from \$1.50 to \$101.50 Miller victimized a Pittsburgh, Pa., member. Miller having had business transactions with a customer of the Pittsburgh

member noted that his checks were always drawn up in such a manner that they could easily be altered. Grasping this opportunity Miller called on the customer and made an exchange of money for the merchant's check, stating he desired to send the check to New York. The bank upon receiving this check did not discover the alteration, therefore suffered a loss. Miller is 40 years, 6 feet, 165 pounds, has dark complexion, thin chestnut hair, sharp brown eyes, high forehead, small bald spot on back of head, a wart similar to a growth appears near the nose.

A. W. Miller
One hundred

GORDON C. MURRAY, alias George B. Ingram. A member bank of Edmond, Okla., reports that Gordon C. Murray has defrauded them by means of a bogus draft, drawn on the First National Bank of Enfield, Okla. Murray is a deserter. He is 23 years, 6 feet, 155 pounds, has blonde hair and very thick lips.

HARRY J. RANDOLPH. While employed as a bookkeeper for a pipe line contractor, Randolph forged his employer's signature. The checks were made out to fictitious parties, but due to the fact it was well known that Randolph was employed by the local contractor he experienced no difficulty in securing funds on these checks from a Nowata, Okla., member. He is 32 years, 5 feet 11 inches, 170 pounds, has dark brown hair, dark complexion, blue eyes and a large prominent nose.

EDWARD RAYNOR, alias Ed. Morton. Having secured employment as a salesman for a Portland, Ore., firm, Raynor was sent to Condon, Ore. Upon his arrival at this point he drew a draft unauthorized against his firm. As payment was refused a Portland member who allowed Raynor to secure the funds in advance has suffered a loss. He is now drawing on the Peoples National Trading Company. This operator has been brought to the attention of the members on a previous occasion. In an article appearing on page 523 of the JOURNAL Supplement, January, 1914, we explained Raynor's operations. He has used the following names: Sidney Gordon, Harry Fern, Wollman, Willman, Fields, Garton and Norton. His description is 35 years, 5 feet 7 inches, 140 to 150 pounds, medium build; has brown eyes, brown hair, slightly bald. Left hand badly crippled. Is a Jew.

The Oregon Bankers Association is financing this investigation with this Association.

W. P. SAULNIER. Representing himself to still be in the employ of C. W. Beggs Sons & Company, Chicago, this operator is defrauding merchants and others with his worthless draft on this firm. Recently he successfully operated against a member at Hot Springs, S. D. A reliable description is not obtainable at this time.

H. S. SEYMOUR has defrauded a Chicago member by securing funds on a worthless check. Since leaving Chicago our detective agents have been advised that he has been operating in the uniform of a captain. Seymour was an aspirant for an officer's commission, but was forced to leave the camp at Fort Sheridan due to his irregular transactions.

WILLIAM SHELTON. Co-operating with the California Bankers Association, this Association is endeavoring to effect the arrest of Shelton who defrauded a San Francisco, Cal.,

member by forging the signature of an official connected with a local manufacturing company. The operator is a member of the British-American League and is described as 40-42 years, 5 feet 10 inches, 162 pounds; has grayish blue eyes, long nose, auburn hair tinged with gray on side, partly bald.

MRS. MABLE SMITH. A member bank located at Jamestown, N. Y., reported to this department details concerning a fraud perpetrated against them. This operator in some unknown manner secured a depositor's bank book and forwarded same through the mail to the bank and requested a New York draft. The bank conformed with the request. They later learned that the woman is a fraud. She is described as 25-30 years, 5 feet 7 inches, 130 pounds, has dark hair, eyes slightly crossed, blue gray; long face, firm mouth and chin.



T. K. SNELL

Above we reproduce photograph of one T. K. SNELL, whom we are advised is wanted by a bank member at Shelbyville, Tenn. If any information is received relative to this man's whereabouts kindly furnish same to this Association, or the nearest office of their detective agents.

WILLIAM G. STEVENS secured funds from an Evansville, Ind., member on a check drawn on the Clark County National Bank, Winchester, Ky. This check was returned as worthless. Stevens was engaged in selling drugs for a Baltimore firm. He is 35 years, 5 feet 7 inches, 140 to 145 pounds, slender build, smooth shaven, light gray eyes, light hair and complexion. Right ankle deformed and walks with a decided limp.

CHARLES TIPTON, alias Walter Charlton, T. H. Finley, Wade Sair, H. C. Woodward, Guy Thorp, S. J. Salley, etc., is wanted by a member bank at Miami, Okla., for defrauding them by means of a bogus pay roll check purporting to be issued by the Boston-Miami Lead & Zinc Co. This is a very clever piece of work and has caused the bank an unusual amount of trouble. We are unable to furnish a reliable description of the operator.

J. J. TURNER, alias O. B. Westover. By negotiating worthless checks drawn on the First National Bank, Salpula, Okla., he has succeeded in defrauding a member bank at Red Forks, Okla. Turner is 26 years, 5 feet 10 inches, 160 pounds, dark complexion, gray eyes, smooth shaven.

BEWARE OF SWINDLER PRESENTING BOGUS LETTER OF CREDIT

Operator has letter purporting to be issued by the Guaranty State Bank, Muskogee, Okla.

J. M. YOUNG, representing himself as the president of the Muskogee Tool or Pipe Co., is calling upon members and presenting a bogus letter of credit showing a credit of \$6,000. The letter appears to have been issued by the Guaranty State Bank, Muskogee, Okla. His usual method is to call upon an attorney with whom he will place an account for collection, after gaining the confidence of the attorney he will solicit his aid in securing an introduction at a local bank. The letter has every appearance of being genuine. The operator is 45 to 50 years, 5 feet 9 inches, 150 pounds, has sallow complexion, steel gray eyes, hair turning gray, smooth shaven. Has the appearance of a small town business man.

W. YOUNG. While engaged as a baker Young stole five blank checks from his employer and forged his signature to each. A Webb City, Mo., member accepted these checks, thereby suffering a loss. Young is described as 34 years, 5 feet 6 inches, black hair, parted in middle, dark eyes. Great talker and very boastful.

LOST CERTIFICATES

Bag containing negotiable papers lost. Bank offers reward for their return

This department has received information from J. C. McFadden, Secretary North Dakota Bankers Association, to the effect that one of their members reports the loss of a hand bag containing valuable negotiable papers. The contents of the bag were:

Horace, N. D., State Bank stock certificates—

- No. 62, five shares,
- No. 63, ten shares,
- No. 65, five shares,
- No. 74, ten shares.

Hickson, N. D., State Bank stock certificate No. 35, ten shares.

Fert Ransom, N. D., State Bank stock certificate No. 28, ten shares.

A second mortgage on section 21-140-53, \$2,300.

A mortgage on the N. W. Quarter of section 4-145-50, \$1,697.

About \$25,000 worth of farmers' notes in smaller amounts. Most of these papers are indorsed in blank and, therefore, negotiable.

Should any of the above described papers come to the attention of a member kindly notify Secretary McFadden, at Fargo, N. D.

GENERAL

SMOOTH CROOK ESCAPES PROSECUTION

Swindler drawing cashier's checks on the Farmers & Merchants Bank, Sapulpa, Okla., released by New York authorities

The operator who has for the past year been securing many victims with his cashier's checks purporting to be issued by the non-existing Farmers & Merchants Bank of Sapulpa, Okla., has just cause to believe that he was born under a lucky star.

We know this individual as A. L. Wilson, alias Chas. F. Cooke, etc. Using the alias of Cooke, he registered at a New York hotel; after remaining there several days the management demanded payment of their account. Cooke promised immediate settlement, but when the hotel man would not allow him to enter his room he left the premises, promising to return the following day to close his account.

Previous to the demand upon Cooke for settlement, his effects has been searched, among them three pads, each containing about 500 blank cashier's checks, were found. This caused the management to become suspicious, whereupon they immediately notified our agents, who identified the operator as A. L. Wilson.

Our agents, upon securing this information, advised the different victims of the swindler's whereabouts, requesting that action be taken. These steps had to be taken for the reason that the operator, so far, has been shrewd enough to confine his activities against individuals alone.

A defrauded party residing in Detroit, Mich., was finally located, who promised to prosecute. All arrangements were made to arrest Wilson, alias Cooke, as soon as he returned to the hotel.

On July 26, as promised, Cooke appeared and offered to pay his bill. He was detained until the police authorities

could effect his arrest. The Detroit police were notified and requested to take action.

This is where Wilson's luck began to play a prominent part. The prosecuting attorney at Detroit refused to send for Wilson unless two parties signed papers guaranteeing the expenses of an officer to and from New York. For some unknown reason two responsible parties were unavailable, thus necessitating the authorities to request the New York police to release their prisoner, which was done.

Following Wilson's release our New York agents received reports to the effect that he had secured \$100 from a New York broker. This information, however, was received too late to cause his rearrest.

Wilson is 35, 5 feet 8 inches, 170 pounds, has florid complexion, blue eyes, thick, dark blonde hair, cut short, pug nose, thick upper lip. A white diagonal scar 1 inch long appears on his upper lip. His cheek bones are high, face full.

We are reproducing one of his checks.

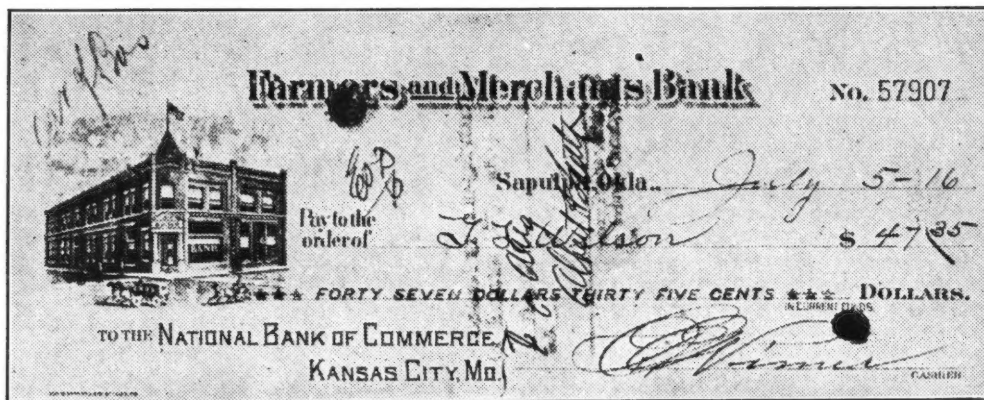
J. E. BAKER, alias W. E. Murray, T. A. Moore. A lumber firm located at Tacoma, Wash., has returned to a local member several checks payable to Baker and the aliases used by him, which they claim to be forgeries. The local member receiving these checks through the clearings paid on same, thereby suffering a loss. The checks are on the paper of the National Bank of Tacoma, which bears the printed firm name of "Fir Tree Lumber Co." and the forged indorsement of the treasurer. We were not supplied with a description of the operator.

A. O. BRINEGAR. By forging his brother's signature to a check drawn on the firm of Brinegar and Spier, this operator has victimized a member at Rock Springs, Wyo., who paid upon the check before the forgery was discovered.

R. D. BREEN. Claiming to be a lieutenant in the Aviation Corps, and further to be in charge of construction work on the aviation training camp at Belleville, Ill., Breen has defrauded numerous merchants with his bogus checks on the First National Bank, Wellston, Mo. So far he has failed to operate against our members. He is 25 years, 5 feet 10 inches, 145 pounds; is very confidential in his manner.

WALTER BRICE. An operator using this name who has been drawing checks on the Stockgrowers Bank, Dixon, Wyo., was arrested by the Denver police, but was later released as they were unable to prosecute. Brice is 27 years, 5 feet 8 inches, 150 pounds, has light brown hair and complexion.

G. L. Nelson



S. L. BROWN. This operator defrauded a Parkersburg, W. Va., member by securing funds on a check drawn against the First-Second National Bank, Akron, Ohio, which was later returned as worthless. No description available at this time.

G. W. BRYAN, alias G. Bryon. Another worthless check operator is in the toils charged with impersonating an officer. Bryon represented himself to be attached to the Quartermaster's Department as a first lieutenant. In this rôle he easily victimized numerous merchants in the vicinity of Columbus, Tex. Our detective agents at Houston located Byron and left him in charge of the Federal authorities.

E. J. CONDON has victimized a customer of an Excelsior Springs, Mo., member. Condon secured room and board from this customer and before leaving gave her a check on the Winona Savings Bank, Winona, Mo., in payment of his indebtedness. He is described as 40 years, 5 feet 10 inches, 160 pounds, has light hair closely cropped and rather curly, blue eyes. He spoke with an eastern accent, teeth far apart and very prominent, one tooth apparently missing. He is supposed to be in the vicinity of Detroit or Grand Rapids.

CHARLES E. COUCH. Being charged with grand larceny, Couch is being held by the Seattle, Wash., authorities on a complaint issued by his former employers, a member bank of Seattle. It is alleged that Couch is short in his accounts, which involves a large sum.

MORTIN L. CUSHMAN, using a check drawn on the Manufacturers National Bank, Lewiston, Me., opened an account with a Portland, Me., member. The next day this operator again appeared at the bank and seeing that the official who had handled this account was absent he approached a substitute and made a small withdrawal. Shortly after this transaction the Lewiston check was returned, causing the member bank a loss.

CHARLES A. DOOLEY is drawing checks against the Equitable Trust Company, Boston, Mass. Dooley has an account with this institution, but same is insufficient to cover his numerous checks. A member bank at Shelburne Falls, Mass., accepted one of his checks and paid on same before they discovered their error. The member bank failed to supply our agents with a description. An investigation is now under way.

WILBUR EDWARDS is operating with a check purporting to have been issued by the Buffalo Grain Co., Buffalo, N. Y., which has the appearance of being an expense voucher. A Junction City, Kan., member was defrauded by this operator. They describe him as a young man, 5 feet 6 or 7 inches, 130 pounds, has brown hair, blue eyes and fair complexion.

Wilbur Edwards

E. M. EITELHUBER, alias Henry Westfal, mentioned in the July issue of the JOURNAL Supplement, has been arrested by the Chicago authorities. He is held under \$10,000 bonds awaiting trial, having recently been indicted by the Grand Jury.

ORVILLE EVANS, alleged bank robber. Charged with being implicated with the hold-up of the Bank of Richland, Drakes Creek, Ark., Evans has been arrested and is being held by the local authorities. He is 27 years, 5 feet 11 inches, 160 pounds, has dark complexion, brown eyes and black hair.

JOHN FISHER. A swindler in some unknown manner secured possession of a pay check issued by the Chicago and Eastern Illinois Railroad, payable to John Fisher. A bank located at Riverdale, Ill., paid on this check, which was returned as it bore the forged indorsement of the payee. The operator is described as 35 years, 5 feet 10 inches, 180 to 185 pounds, has dark hair and complexion.

DR. B. C. GOLDBERG. By accepting notes of Dr. Goldberg, which later proved to be forgeries, a member bank of Petersburg, Va., has been victimized. It is rumored that Goldberg can be found in the vicinity of Philadelphia. Our detective agents at that point are now endeavoring to locate him.

GEORGE HAMILTON is operating with a worthless check drawn on the Merchants National Bank, Clarksburg, W. Va. This check has the appearance of an expense check purporting to be issued by C. W. Moses Bros. A customer of a bank at Verona, Pa., has been defrauded. Hamilton is described as being 23 years, tall and slender. Face covered with pimples.

S. G. HALLETT, alias J. W. Nelson (true name J. H. Temple). The Federal authorities are holding Temple, alias Hallett, for using the mails to defraud; his arrest being caused at La Crosse, Wis. This operator received a great deal of notoriety, due to his wide field of operations. He used the H. W. Kaston & Son Advertising Agency's check. These checks were drawn on the National Bank of Commerce and the Merchants-Laclede National Bank, St. Louis, Mo. Hallett's victims number into the hundreds. If you have a complaint lodge same with the postoffice authorities at St. Louis.

J. W. Nelson
Exhibitor

J. A. HARDEMAN. For some time past this individual has been defrauding merchants with his bogus checks issued on the paper of the First National Bank, Cartersville, Ga. On August 2, 1917, our detective agents were advised that Hardemann was in custody at Knoxville, Tenn.

J. E. HAYWOOD. Posing as a lieutenant connected with the Nineteenth Infantry, Haywood swindled a St. Louis, Mo., member by drawing against the Southern Trust & Savings Bank, San Diego, Cal. Later the bank was advised that they had paid funds to an impostor as the San Diego customer was connected with the Fifty-seventh Infantry stationed at Leavenworth, Kan. It is evident that the operator has at one time been in some way in touch with the real Lieutenant Haywood. No description.

DAN HENDERSON, negro. While engaged as a farm hand, this individual became familiar with his employer's signature. Henderson endeavored to use this information to his advantage, but was arrested upon his first attempt to secure funds on checks bearing the forged signature. He is now being held by the Houston, Tex., authorities.

SHERMAN W. HOYT has been arrested in Chicago for obtaining money on worthless checks. Hoyt was just recently discharged from the navy; following his discharge he continued to wear his uniform, and posing as a recruiting officer had no trouble in securing funds on his checks.



CARROLL M. INSENSIE

CARROLL W. INSENSIE is under military arrest at San Antonio, Tex., charged with desertion, impersonating an army officer and ten instances of forgery. He is 5 feet 8 inches, has dark blue eyes, dark brown hair, ruddy complexion. Is a mechanical engineer. This operator's age and weight are not supplied by the military authorities.

L. S. KENT. Representing himself to be a representative of The C. D. Pruden Company, Baltimore, Md., Kent has found victims of his worthless checks from various parts of the country. He is using the checks of the Home Savings Bank, Washington, D. C. At the present time he is operating in the New England States. We were not supplied with a description of this operator.

L. S. Kent

W. N. LARK. This operator had bogus checks printed purporting to be issued by the Reliance Life Insurance Company, Pittsburg, Pa. Lark at one time was an agent for this concern. He has not as yet victimized a member. His description is 30 years, 5 feet 8 inches, 145 to 150 pounds, medium built, dark complexion and dark hair.

L. H. LE CLAIRE. A Peeksville, N. Y., member has requested that we warn the members of this individual. LeClaire has in his possession, obtained under false pretenses, a note for \$2,000 payable at the Irving National Bank, New York City. This note is indorsed by W. J. Seaton, W. P. Hatch and Capt. L. B. DeGarmo, which he is endeavoring to negotiate. He has presented this note to several western banks, the last being in Chicago on August 15. LeClaire also



ZEAK MEREDITH

secured a check for \$1,500 payable to another party, which he was to deliver, but instead indorsed it himself and appropriated the money for his own use.

ZEAK MEREDITH, forgery, has been sentenced to 2 years in the Texas State Penitentiary, Huntsville, Tex. His height measurements are: 70.6 76.0 91.1 19.8 15.7 14.0 6.0 25.1 11.3 8.5 45.8.

W. J. MURPHY. By removing a check for \$32.80 from the mails and raising same to \$173.44 after eradicating the payee's name, an operator using the name of Murphy has victimized a Boston member. The work on this check is recognized as that of an individual who has been operating in the vicinity of Brooklyn, N. Y., with worthless checks. This is the first instance where we have found that he is stealing from the mails. He is 25 years, 5 feet 8 or 9 inches, 175 pounds, has florid complexion.

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M. O. NELSON, alias H. D. Hardy. At this time there is an operator who is working in the Eastern States against merchants, defrauding them by means of his bogus "W. Womack & Co. and Davis Nelson & Co." checks. These checks are drawn on the American National Bank, Houston, or the Commonwealth First & Savings Bank, Sioux City, Iowa. In his transaction he has used the names of G. R. Reed and C. F. Connor, in addition to the above. A very meager description is obtainable, which is not reliable enough to publish.

D. K. PAGE is drawing drafts on the First Guaranty State Bank, Sadler, Tex. A Beaumont, Tex., member has suffered a loss through Page's operations. While calling upon this member Page readily convinced one of the officials that he had an account in the Sadler bank. It so happened that the official was a native of Sadler, consequently when Page conversed on well-known subjects relative to his home the official was thrown off his guard and paid the draft. Page is 32 years, 5 feet 9 inches, 135-140 pounds, has light hair, reddish complexion.

C. A. PRICE mentioned in the August, 1917, JOURNAL Supplement has been sentenced to 4 years at the Louisiana State Penitentiary in addition to the unexpired term which he has to serve for the violation of his parole.

E. L. ROGERS, hotel crook, operating on the Pacific Coast with worthless checks, has been arrested and returned to San Francisco, Cal., charged with defrauding hotels of that city. Rogers has a very unique way of operating. He has in some manner secured possession of a high-powered automobile, which he drives to the door of the hotel, naturally giving a misleading effect upon his victims.

JULIUS TYRRELL. By advancing funds on an uncollected item, a Little Rock, Ark., member has been victimized. Tyrrell opened an account with this member by depositing a check drawn on the Commercial Germania Trust & Savings Bank, New Orleans, La. Before returns from this check could be received Tyrrell was able to secure an advance, thereby causing the member a loss. He is 35 years, 5 feet 6 inches, 125 pounds; has dark chestnut hair, brown eyes. Is an insurance agent.

ARTHUR WALSH. This is the name used by a swindler who operated against a local hotel of Parsons, Kan., with an expense check purporting to have been issued by the Alaska-Pacific Fisheries, drawn against the First National Bank,

Seattle, Wash. Member banks should bear this in mind as this is a very clever piece of work. He is described as 25 years, 5 feet 9 inches, 140 pounds, has dark hair; addicted to cigarette smoking. It is possible that Walsh is none other than Edwards, who is using the Buffalo Grain Co.'s check. However, we are unable to secure a specimen of Walsh's writing.

ROBERT WHITE (negro). A Haynesville, La., member has been victimized by this negro, who secured funds on a check bearing the forged signature of one of their depositors. The member failed to supply us with a description of the operator.

A. J. WILSON has defrauded a Portland, Ore., member due to an error on their part. At the time the employees of this member were making out checks one of them in error made a check payable to A. J. rather than A. P. Wilson. A. J. Wilson, upon receiving the check, cashed same and has since left the vicinity. No description available.

LON WINEBARGER, charged with forgery by the Fossil, Ore., authorities, was released.

ARRESTED

IMPOSTOR ARRESTED

Bogus lieutenant proves to be a sergeant in a New York Company of Engineers

E. C. McCANN, posing as a first lieutenant in the Aviation Corps, opened an account with a member bank at Washington, D. C., and eventually succeeded in victimizing them. A check drawn on the Corn Exchange Bank, New York, was used and before same could be returned protested McCann was advanced a small amount on account.

Previous to this transaction McCann secured counter checks of the National Bank of Newburgh, N. Y., and in April, 1913, cashed them at various hotels in New York City and vicinity. Following a tour of worthless check passing we next heard of him as having defrauded a member bank at Brownsville, Tex. In this transaction a check on the New Netherland Bank, New York, was used. McCann used the name of C. R. McCaen and claimed to be attached to the Seventh Regiment, N. Y. N. G., stationed at McAllen, Tex. Upon investigation it was ascertained that the particular company in which McCann claimed connection had returned to New York. Our agents at that point learned that the operator was wanted by the Federal authorities, being charged with impersonating an officer.

Co-operating with agents of the Department of Justice, a

representative of our New York detective agents located McCann and on July 24 caused his arrest. At the time of his arrest McCann was a sergeant, which necessitated his detention by the military authorities. While awaiting court martial, on July 29, he eluded his guard and at the present time is a fugitive from justice and a deserter. Punishment for the last offense should be rather severe just at this time.

McCann is 27 years, 5 feet 10 inches, 165 pounds, slim build, has medium complexion, chestnut hair, parted in the middle, at time grows a small closely cropped mustache. His teeth are bad. Continually biting finger nails. Wears tortoise shell rimmed glasses and a very neat dresser. Claims to be a construction engineer. His bertillon measurements taken in 1914 are: 77.3 81.0 91.8 19.1 15.5 6.3 27.9 11.6 9.2 47.9.

SYRACUSE LOSES ITS BOOSTER

Bogus certified check man using names of Syracuse firms apprehended in New York City

After one year of hard endeavors of advertising business firms located in Syracuse, N. Y., **GEORGE W. LEE**, with numerous aliases, failed to secure the sanction of the local Chamber of Commerce, and consequently is now confined in the Tombs awaiting trial for forgery.

Lee has for the year past been flooding the banks and merchants of New York and New Jersey with his bogus certified checks drawn on the City Bank, First National Bank and the Central City Trust Co., of Syracuse, all purporting to be issued by the Zetts Brewing Co.; Edward Joy Co.; E. A. Neff Co.; Patriot Publishing Co., and others to numerous to mention. In these transactions he has used the following names: Jack W. Leonard, Geo. W. Lee, C. M. Ludwig, C. R. Dupont, C. E. Martin, J. E. Woodruff, A. Luddy and H. E. Martin. He claimed his true name to be Robert Carson.

We first received reports of this operator in August, 1916, at that time he was employed as a salesman for the Gardner Syndicate of Syracuse. While there employed he stole a blank check from a depositor of a member bank at Oswego, N. Y., defrauding them by forging the customer's signature to the check. A few weeks later we heard of him as the agent of the American Bureau of Credits Accounts. Representing this firm he stole several books from the Newark, N. J., headquarters, and after negotiating with a member bank at Montclair, N. J., he gained their confidence only to defraud them by securing funds on a check drawn on the East End Bank, Harrisburg, Pa., purporting to be an expense check of the Patriot Co. Following this transaction Lee (the alias used) dropped from sight.



E. C. McCANN



GEORGE W. LEE

After a lapse of about two months the Fidelity Trust Company, Hartford, Conn., reported as having received three checks presumably issued by their depositor, the Hartford Post, payable to J. E. Woodruff, each bearing a forged certification stamp. These checks were passed on merchants of New York City. It developed that Lee, alias Woodruff, stole these checks from the publisher while conferring with the advertising manager relative to a campaign.

Having invested in a rubber stamp printing outfit and in some manner secured possession of checks on the above mentioned Syracuse banks, this operator took it upon himself to bring the business firms of that city to the attention of the New York and New Jersey merchants, by the use of his bogus checks. This appointment did not meet with the approval of the Syracuse merchants, consequently the certified checks were returned to the victims.

Some time during his swindling tour Lee found time to break open a mail box and stole a letter containing two American Express money orders. This transaction was the main cause of his arrest. To secure the funds from these checks he necessarily had to be introduced to a merchant. Fortunately Lee chose the wrong person, for this individual, after introducing Lee, learned that the orders had been stolen and immediately notified the proper parties. Acting upon information secured from this source and co-operating with Inspector Lambert of the American Express Company and the New York police, our agents aided in effecting the arrest of Lee on July 28, 1917.

When searched, his effects yielded forty certified blank checks, three rubber stamp outfits with stamps made up showing various firms' names, a complete list of his victims and three pages from the diary which gave a short account of his early exploits of check work. The most damaging article found was a complete set used by a person addicted to the use of drugs. This discovery explained the wild schemes invented by the operator in carrying out his swindles.

WILLIAM H. BLACKER. Following his successful attack against a Forsyth, Mont., member, who he defrauded by means of a mortgage swindle, Blacker left the vicinity. Shortly afterward the sheriff of Forsyth located Blacker near Cody, Wyo., his arrest followed.

GEORGE CAMPBELL. During the month of July, 1917, our detective agents at Pittsburgh were advised that George Campbell and a friend, J. F. McBrire, were the operators who defrauded a member bank located at Beckley, W. Va., by securing funds on a check bearing the forged indorsement of the payee. Following a short investigation Campbell was located in the vicinity of Middleport, Ohio, where his arrest was effected by a representative of our Pittsburgh agents, who was assisted by the sheriff of Meigs County. Campbell has been returned to Beckley, where he is now awaiting trial. Our agents are still endeavoring to locate McBrire. No description available.

E. A. COHN. On July 28, 1917, our Kansas City agents received a request for assistance in helping to locate and arrest an operator who was presenting notes signed by a customer of a Sharon Springs, Kan., member. Later in the day a Kansas City member advised our agents that they were detaining a man who had presented one of these notes mentioned above. Our representative, in company of a local police officer proceeded to the bank and placed the operator, E. A. Cohn, under arrest.

FORGER SURRENDERS

Conscience and desire to see his family causes A. J. Crane to surrender

On July 28 A. J. Crane walked into the Dallas, Tex., police station and surrendered. Crane stated he was tired of dodging the police and wanted to see his family again. He was broken in health and financially, was devoid of friends and did not dare to communicate with his relatives through fear of arrest.

In an article appearing on pages 54-55 of the October, 1916, JOURNAL Supplement we gave the details of Crane's swindle, stating how he secured employment with a large manufacturing firm located in Philadelphia and eventually defrauding a member bank of that city by forging the signature of an official of the firm to a check purporting to be intended for the payroll.

Crane, the self-confessed forger, while being held in the Dallas county jail, awaiting extradition proceedings, succumbed to the ravages of consumption before the Pennsylvania authorities had time to act.

JAMES R. CRAUM successfully operated against a Tulsa, Okla., member bank by issuing checks bearing the forged signature of one of their depositors. Craum at the time he committed the fraud was engaged as a "tool dresser" for a local oil company. Following the transaction he changed his location to a new field. A representative of our Kansas City detective agents traced Craum to the vicinity of Bartlesville, Okla., at which point his arrest was effected. A complete confession was secured. He is described as 27 years, 5 feet 8 inches, 160 pounds; has light brown hair, blue eyes, stands very erect.

J. C. CROUCH. Being informed that indictments charging him with being implicated in the wrecking of the A. B. Crouch Grain Co., Temple, Tex., Crouch surrendered to the authorities.

SHERMAN DONOVAN, alias Sherman Wise. Recently a Pittsburgh, Pa., member reported a loss suffered through the operations of Donovan, who forged the signature of his mother to several checks which were later paid by the member. Following this operation Donovan left Pittsburgh and proceeded to Rinersburg, Pa., where he attempted to swindle a member. While at this point the member caused his arrest. Our Pittsburgh detective agents were advised of this operator's arrest and all arrangements were made whereby Donovan would be returned to Pittsburgh where the strongest case is held against him.

MR. AND MRS. LYTTLETON C. EDWARDS are planning to send out invitations to their numerous victims, inviting them to attend a reception held in their honor at the Tombs Prison, New York City.

For the past year these two individuals have been issuing worthless checks on the Peoples Bank, Reedville, Va., and have found numerous victims among hotels and merchants. Just recently they succeeded in perpetrating frauds against a New York City and a New Jersey member. Warrants were issued. Representatives of our New York detective agents located the two operators and secured a complete confession from both. Mrs. Edwards will have to stand trial in New York, while Mr. Edwards will be returned to Washington, D. C. This pair have used the following names: E. C. Somerville, E. Edwards, S. Edwards and L. Somerville. Mrs. Edwards is 25 years, 5 feet 2 inches, 110 pounds, has dark hair,

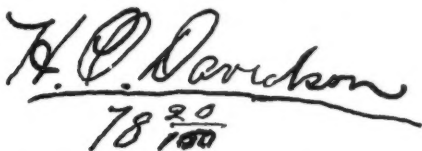
eyes and complexion. Mr. Edwards is 28 years, 5 feet 8 inches, 160 pounds, has light hair, gray eyes and sallow complexion.



HENRY L. EICHLER, while engaged in his duties as a salesman, stole from one of his prospective customers a check made payable to a Mrs. H. O. Davidson for \$78.20. After eradicating the "Mrs.," he indorsed this check H. O. Davidson and secured the funds from a Utica member. Our New York detective agents investigated the matter and their representative, learning that Eichler had been assigned to the territory in the vicinity of Utica, proceeded to locate him. Upon catching up with the salesman at Gloversville, it was readily seen that Eichler answered the description of the operator given by the defrauded bank.

Being confronted with all the evidence against him, Eichler broke down and confessed to the entire transaction. He is now being held for the next Grand Jury, which sits in October.

He is 35 years, 5 feet 8 inches, 160 pounds, slim build, has chestnut hair, blue eyes and is smooth shaven.



BERNARD W. FERGUSON. After forging the signature of his landlady, Ferguson fled to San Francisco, Cal. A member bank of Los Angeles paid on several of these checks thereby suffering a loss. Our detective representatives of San Francisco were called upon to locate this operator. On inquiring it was ascertained that Ferguson had been arrested several days previous for a worthless check passed on a San Francisco hotel. After making a settlement he was released. From the officials of the hotel our agents learned the whereabouts of Ferguson and assisted by the local police effected his arrest. He will be returned to Los Angeles for trial. Ferguson is 6 feet 2 inches, 160 pounds, has blue eyes, light and towney hair, pale complexion. Advertising solicitor.

The California Bankers Association financed this investigation with this Association.

JOHN FREESE. By forging the signature of his employer to several checks, Freese victimized a Chicago member and numerous merchants. Our Chicago detective agents ascertained that Freese was located in a small New Jersey village near New York City. A representative of our New York detective agents verified the Chicago information and effected the arrest of the operator. Following his arrest Freese gave a complete confession and waived extradition. He is being held for the Chicago authorities. His description is 28 years, 5 feet 10 inches, 150 pounds, has blonde hair, blue eyes, pale complexion.

HOLD-UP SUSPECTS IN CUSTODY

Men suspected of being implicated in the hold-up of the Bank of Union being held

Some time during the night of May 2, 1917, two men entered the home of an official of the Bank of Union, Union,

Okl., and at the point of a gun compelled him to go to the bank, where he was forced to open the outer doors of the vault, which gave access to a small amount of money. After ransacking the building, the official was marched to the railroad yards, placed in an empty box car with his hands bound behind him. The door was closed and locked. The official was compelled to remain in this car until morning, when he was released by the section men. Owing to the fact that the local postoffice was in the same building as the bank, the robbers helped themselves to stamps, etc., of the Government. The Federal authorities became interested in the affair and finally arrested FRANK GIBSON and M. M. JARVIS, charging them with blowing the postoffice safe at Dover, Okla., and also suspected of being implicated in the Union job.

Descriptions of these men are not available at this time.

J. C. HENRY (true name G. C. Hanna), alias H. C. Henry, J. C. Brown. An operator using these names who uses a check purported to be issued by Swift, Henry & Company, South St. Paul, has been touring the Dakotas, Wyoming and Colorado, defrauding merchants and other individuals. These checks are absolutely worthless. Some are drawn on the Live Stock Exchange National Bank, Chicago, while others are on the Stockyards National Bank, South St. Paul. Lately he was successful in perpetrating a fraud against a Des Moines, Iowa, member.

On August 10, 1917, his arrest was caused by the Hutchinson, Kan., authorities and has since been turned over to the sheriff from Moberly, Mo. This operator is 40 years, 5 feet 10 inches, 150 pounds, his hair is slightly gray over the temples.



SAM GOETTEL. A member bank at Waterloo, Iowa, reported to the Iowa Bankers Association and this department, details concerning their being victimized by Goettel. This member paid upon checks made payable to the criminal purporting to be signed by his brother, who is in good standing in the community. A representative of our Chicago detective agents learned that Goettel was in the vicinity of East Dubuque, Iowa, where he was bootlegging. Proceeding to this point our agent, assisted by the local sheriff, located Goettel and caused his arrest. Before our agent had an opportunity to question the prisoner he stated, "Well, you want me on those bad checks I passed in Waterloo. I knew you would find me."

The Iowa Bankers Association co-operated with this association in financing this investigation.

ARMY SURGEON PROVES A FRAUD

A worthless check operator uses an army uniform to put over his checks

An imposter dressed in the uniform of a first lieutenant attached to the U. S. R. C. successfully operated against a Philadelphia member.

W. D. Houston, alias W. W. Seary, the operator in question, in some unknown manner came in possession of a check book of the defrauded member. With these checks Houston started on his tour of worthless check passing. Many

merchants of Philadelphia were his victims. After defrauding a local member Houston left Philadelphia.

On July 19 a young army surgeon and wife registered at a prominent New York hotel as W. D. Houston and wife. He confided to the management that they were on their honeymoon. For several days the Houstons lived on the best obtainable. Finally the hotel proprietor deemed it a good policy to present his bill as the expenses were piling up at an alarming rate. The statement was duly presented and Lieutenant Houston tendered his check on the Philadelphia bank in payment. In the meanwhile our agents had located Houston and notified the Department of Justice. On July 21, 1917, he was taken in custody, charged with forgery and impersonating an army officer.

Upon being questioned after his arrest Houston gave a complete list of his operations. Among the checks passed was one on the justice of peace, given for services rendered in marrying the couple.

Mrs. Houston was an innocent party to the entire transaction, and after the arrest was allowed to return to her parents, whereupon she discovered she was the second wife of Houston, his first wife being still alive and undivorced.

Houston will have to answer the impersonation charge first, with forgery and bigamy charges pending.

J. W. HUDDLESTON. While engaged as a farm hand Huddleston forged the signature of his employer to several checks. These checks were paid by a member of Duncan, Okla., before the forgeries were discovered. A representative of our Kansas City agents traced the operator to Palo Pinto, Tex., where it was ascertained that Huddleston was being held by the sheriff charged with forgery. Huddleston had been arrested early in July at the time he was visiting relatives at Eastland, Tex. He is 24 years, 6 feet 1 inch, 187 pounds, has dark complexion, brown eyes, dark brown curly hair, parted in middle. After answering the Palo Pinto charge Huddleston will be returned to Duncan for trial.

JAMES S. HUNT. Through information supplied to our Detroit detective agents Hunt was traced to New York City, where he was located by our local representatives, who aided the police in effecting his arrest. A member bank of Detroit was victimized by this individual when they passed on a check bearing the forged signature of their depositor, the operator's guardian. Hunt is 19 years, 5 feet 7 inches, 135 pounds, slender build, has fair complexion, light brown hair. Is an automobile salesman.

MIKE IVANOV, alleged forger. A member bank of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, has been victimized by paying upon the forged signature of their depositor. Three brothers, Greeks, carried a joint account with this member and upon making a new deposit discovered an item on the wrong side of the page. Making an inquiry, one of the brothers learned that

the specified amount had been withdrawn. When shown the check he declared same to be a forgery.

Mike Ivanov was the most likely suspect; his arrest followed. At the present time he is out on bond. He is 25 years, 5 feet 8 inches, 150 pounds, of dark complexion. Bertillon: 68.2 74.0 90.4 18.7 16.2 14.5 55.+ 27.8 12.2 9.6 46.4.

The Iowa Bankers Association is financing this investigation with this Association.

GEORGE KERR, alias Albert Sparks, and **DEWEY DALTON.** After an extensive investigation by representatives of our Kansas City detective agents, the arrest of George Kerr has been effected. Following Kerr's arrest he confessed to his part in the transaction and implicated his friend, Dewey Dalton, who was arrested by the sheriff at Harrison, Ark. Kerr stated that he and Dalton were in need of ready funds, so Dalton wrote out a check, forged the signature of a Harrison member's depositor. Kerr then forged his cousin's indorsement to this check and presented same at the bank for payment. These two operators are now awaiting action of the Grand Jury.

ROY KWIATKOSKY, alias Roy Flowers, who defrauded an Ellwood City, Pa., member by means of a forged check, has been arrested by a representative of our Pittsburgh detective agents, assisted by the local authorities. Kwiatkosky was located at Mt. Pleasant, Pa., where he had secured employment as a mill hand. He is 18 years, 5 feet 9 inches, 125-130 pounds, has florid complexion, blonde hair, gray eyes, exceptionally large feet.

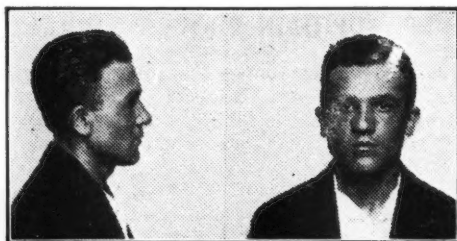
H. A. LOCKE. Representing himself to be a first lieutenant, attached to the Medical Corps, this individual called upon a member bank located in Savannah, Ga., and endeavored to secure funds from a certified check which later proved to be bogus.

At the time Locke called on the bank he had the misfortune to chose Assistant Cashier Dieter as his victim. After Dieter heard Locke's story and saw his check, he being a commissioned officer of the Georgia National Guard, became suspicious and refused to accept the check except for collection. Naturally Locke had to agree to this arrangement. The check was sent in for collection and was returned marked bogus.

Mr. Dieter, upon being advised of this, decided to locate Locke if possible and cause his arrest for impersonating an officer. In this he was successful.

When Locke was questioned by the Federal authorities it was ascertained that he was a deserter from Fort Myers and was wanted by several express and railroad companies. He gave his home as Lynn, Mass. He is 5 feet 5 inches, 125 pounds, very pale and colorless complexion.

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MIKE IVANOV

RAY B. LOWERY. A member bank of Ada, Okla., reported to our Kansas City agents the facts surrounding the operations of Lowery, who secured funds from them by forging the signature of one of their customers.

After making a short investigation our agents located Lowery as a private of Company "G," Oklahoma National Guard. Upon questioning him he readily acknowledged defrauding the Ada member, and further informed his questioners that he was on parole from the Oklahoma State Penitentiary for a like offense.

At the time of Lowery's arrest he stated that he would just as soon be in the penitentiary as in the army. From all appearances his desire will be fulfilled, as his arrest has cleared up numerous complaints concerning the forging of officer's signatures to small checks.



J. F. McVEY

J. F. McVEY, alias Geo. Maxey. By paying upon a check purporting to be signed by one of their customers, which later proved to be forgery, a Little Rock, Ark., member was victimized by McVey. This operator was not so successful on his next attempt, as he was arrested by his intended victim and was later sentenced to the Arkansas Penitentiary. Following the fraud perpetrated against the member our Memphis representative took up the case and recognized the work of McVey. A warrant was issued and same has been lodged with the sheriff. McVey is 27 years, 5 feet 6 inches, 145 pounds, has blue eyes, black hair, dark complexion. Meat cutter by trade. It is believed the operator is wanted by the Texas authorities.

FOREST MONTGOMERY (negro). Employed as a laborer for the Central Coal Company located at Clarinda, Iowa, this operator victimized a local member by securing funds on a check purporting to have been issued by his employers. Montgomery was arrested by the local sheriff before our detective agents were able to reach the scene. The Iowa Bankers Association co-operated with this Association in financing the investigation. He is 20 years, 6 feet, 160 pounds; has black eyes, black complexion.



LESTER MOORE

LESTER MOORE (true name Arthur Grump), alias J. P. Terry, Geo. Davis. This criminal, using the above mentioned

aliases, entered the offices of a contracting engineer located in Birmingham, Ala., and stole a handbag containing several blank checks. With these checks in his possession he called upon various merchants and made small purchases, always making the checks greater than the value of the article purchased. These checks were paid by a local member before the forgery was discovered, thereby they became the victim of Grump, alias Moore.

Our Birmingham agents, assisted by the local police, believed Grump to be the operator; he was located, and after being questioned at length, he confessed to the entire transaction.

RAY NEDHAM (true name Wesley England). Using this name an operator victimized a member bank of Humboldt, Kan., by securing funds on a worthless check issued against the Parsons Commercial Bank, Parsons, Kan. Upon learning that they had been defrauded, this member reported the case to our Kansas City detective agents, who learned that the operator's true name was Wesley England. He was traced to his home in Mountain Grove, Mo., at which point our agents, assisted by the local authorities, effected his arrest. He is 25 years, 5 feet 6 inches, 140 pounds, sallow complexion.

C. T. POELLET, JR. On July 20, 1917, a member bank of Buffalo, N. Y., reported to our agents at that point that they had been defrauded by Poellet. This operator opened an account at the injured bank by depositing a \$500 check drawn on the Union Trust Company, Washington, D. C. The initial deposit was followed by others of a like nature. After gaining the bank's confidence, he was allowed to draw on the uncollected paper. Following an investigation Poellet was located by our agents, who co-operated with the police in effecting his arrest. He is 33 years, 5 feet 3 inches, 130 pounds, has a medium complexion, blue eyes, light brown hair and is a hunchback.

JAMES E. SHELTON. Wanted by a member bank of Leesburg, Fla., for a mortgage swindle, has been arrested by our New Orleans detective agents, aided by the police. In an article appearing in the August, 1917, issue of the JOURNAL Supplement we gave the details surrounding the transaction. Sheldon is fighting extradition to Florida, although he has confessed his crime.

WM. H. SOCWELL. Articles concerning this operator have been published in the JOURNAL Supplement for July, August and September, 1916, issues. In these articles we explained his mode of operation and told of his arrest at Kalamazoo, Mich., same being effected by the Federal authorities, they wanting him on an impersonation charge.

Following Socwell's arrest at Kalamazoo he was sentenced to the Federal Penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kan. After serving a short term he was released.

Upon receipt of information that Socwell had been released, due to the fact that proper detainer warrants had not been lodged with the Leavenworth authorities, our detective agents at Chicago and Kansas City inaugurated an investigation on July 24, 1917. Three days later our Kansas City agents located Socwell and effected his arrest, being aided by the local police.

WM. H. SOCWELL. In this issue you will find three other articles relative to this individual. These conditions are due to the fact that he has been very much in evidence of late, having been released, arrested, escaped and rearrested within a period of ten days. Since writing the article concerning Socwell's escape the Evansville, Ind., police succeeded in effecting his arrest at that point on August 13, 1917. A

representative of our St. Louis detective agents anticipated Soewell's plans, called upon Superintendent Schmitt of Evansville and warned him of the possibility of Soewell visiting that point. He was well known to the police and was arrested when he put in his appearance.

H. O. THOMPSON. Employed as an office assistant with good prospects ahead. Thompson was unable to stand prosperity. After following the "night life," his expenses soon exceeded his earnings. This state of affairs was easily remedied as Thompson found no difficulty in obtaining money from forged checks. A Chicago member receiving one of these checks through the clearings paid on same before the forgery was discovered, thereby being listed among Thompson's victims. A representative of our Chicago detective agents investigated this case and on August 8, 1917, aided by the local police, effected his arrest. He is 28 years, 5 feet 10 inches, 145-150 pounds, has dark sallow complexion, dark brown hair and eyes.

WESLEY THOMPSON, JR. By securing funds on a check purporting to bear the signature of his uncle, this operator victimized a Jacksonville, Fla., member. Thompson worked for his uncle throughout the winter and claims he failed to receive any returns for his services. When he was arrested at Akron, Ohio, by a representative of our Cleveland agents, Thompson stated that he had no intention of defrauding the member, but took the check believing his uncle would have to stand the loss. Thompson has been returned to Jacksonville to stand trial. He is 20-22 years, 5 feet 7 inches, 145 pounds, sandy hair and complexion.

FRED VON VOORST. By indorsing the payee's name to a \$300 check unauthorized, this operator defrauded a member of Indianapolis, Ind. An investigation was put under way by our Chicago detective agents. They succeeded in locating relatives of Von Voorst living in Ohio. Our Cleveland agents then took up the investigation and a representative ascertained the whereabouts of the criminal. Being advised that Von Voorst was engaged as a salesman handling certain investments, our Chicago agents again took up the investigation, finally catching up with him at Milwaukee, Wis., on August 6. Following the arrest he acknowledged his part in the transaction, stating that he was of the impression that he had the authority to sign the check. He is 37 years, 5 feet 8 inches, 140 pounds, has fair complexion, light hair.

AUGUST WALTERS. Having defrauded an Onida, S. D., member by means of a forged check bearing the signature of one of their customers, this operator disappeared. A representative of our Chicago detective agents ascertained that Walters, assuming his elder brother's name, had enlisted in the First Infantry, now encamped at Rockford, Ill.; proceeding

to this point the representative located Walters and turned him over to the military authorities, following his confession to the check transaction. He will have to answer to the check charge following his court martial by the military authorities.

ROBERT J. WEIR, alias Robt. J. Ware, etc. Following Weir's acquittal on the charge of passing worthless checks, he was immediately arrested for a similar charge and returned to Alameda, Cal., where he is being held for the superior court. Instructions have been given the Alameda County authorities to hold Weir for the Sacramento officials in case he is acquitted on the last charge, as he is wanted for perjury in connection with his last trial.

REMOVED

ECHO FROM THE TEMPLE CASE

J. C. Crouch, brother of A. B. Crouch, president of the Crouch Grain Company, convicted

In articles appearing in the April and May, 1916, issues of the JOURNAL Supplement, we gave the facts surrounding the wrecking of the A. B. Crouch Grain Co., Temple, Tex. We told how the president, A. B. Crouch, and his chief clerk fled the country following this act.

Since the publication of these articles the Grand Jury sitting at Waco, Tex., has returned indictments against several of the principals involved in the swindle. Among those being indicted was J. C. Crouch, brother of the president. Upon learning that true bills had been filed against him, J. C. Crouch surrendered to the authorities.

On July 21, 1917, following a sensational trial, Crouch was declared guilty and sentenced to 2 years in the Texas State Penitentiary. There are still four outstanding indictments against him. The specific charge upon which Crouch was tried and convicted referred to a car of maize from the Tandy Coal and Grain Company, Abernathy, Tex., upon which the defendant drew up a duplicate bill of lading and forwarded same to a Fort Worth bank.

WILLIAM H. BLACKER. While enroute from Cody, Wyo., to Forsyth, Mont., in custody of the sheriff from the last mentioned city, Blacker eluded his captor and escaped from the train at the time they were entering the railroad yards at Billings, Mont. He is now a fugitive from justice. Blacker is described as 28 years, 140 pounds. His relatives reside at Judith Gap, Mont.

STEVE CARNEY, alias J. B. Carney, forger, released.

A. J. CRANE, forgery, died while being held by the Dallas police, awaiting action of the Philadelphia, Pa., authorities, he being wanted at that point.

JOSEPH ELLIS EISLER has been sentenced to 1½ years at Sing Sing Prison, Ossining, N. Y.

BERNARD W. FERGUSON, forgery. Previous to Ferguson's passing of forged checks he had applied for enlistment in the army. Following his arrest this fact was made known to the District Attorney, who declined to prosecute providing Ferguson did join the army. Upon promising to reimburse his victims and to enlist Ferguson was released and has since joined the colors.

F. A. HANSCOM, bogus checks. A prison sentence for this individual means very little. The best part of his life has been spent in different prisons, still he has failed to learn



ROBERT J. WEIR

the desired lesson. On March 5, 1917, Hanscom, using the alias of Harrison, was indicted for attempted grand larceny, first degree, as a second offense. On March 15 he was allowed to plead guilty to attempted grand larceny, second degree, first offense. On March 19 he was sentenced to an indeterminate term at the New York County Penitentiary, Blackwells Island, N. Y. Inasmuch as Hanscom is 80 years of age we are of the opinion that this sentence will about close Hanscom's criminal career, providing he is compelled to serve the full 13 months required by law.

W. A. HARSHAN, mortgage swindle, plead guilty and was sentenced to a term of 1 to 5 years in the Kansas State Penitentiary, Lansing, Kan.

W. D. HOUSTON, alias W. W. Seary, was on August 3, 1917, sentenced to 1 year and a day in the United States Penitentiary, Atlanta, Ga.

J. T. JOHNSON, alias J. T. Thompson (colored). Jury returned verdict of not guilty. He was immediately released.

J. M. JONES, alias J. M. Moore, was on July 12, 1917, sentenced to 7 years in the South Carolina State Penitentiary, Columbia, S. C.

J. W. LOGAN, alias W. B. Warner, etc., was instructed by the prosecuting attorney to make complete restitution. Upon doing so, all charges pending against him were dismissed, his release following.

AIKEN MASON, alias W. T. Gamble, Jr., etc., plead guilty and was sentenced to 6 months in the county jail, Kansas City, Mo. Arrangements are being made to parole Mason so that the Louisiana authorities can have him.

E. C. McCANN. On July 26, 1917, E. C. McCann escaped from the military authorities at New York City, where he was awaiting court martial for forgery. He is now a fugitive from justice. Agents of the Department of Justice are endeavoring to cause his reaprehension.

GLADYS MILLION. Indictment dismissed on July 3, 1917. Miss Million aided in the prosecution and readily proved that she was an innocent victim of Joseph Eisler, who was tried with her for forgery.

RAPHAEL PHILLIPS, alias Raphael Phillipo. On July 21, 1917, Phillips was sentenced to serve 3 years at the Sing Sing Prison, Ossining, N. Y.

H. E. PRINTZ. Plead guilty and was given a suspended sentence on July 16, 1917.

JOHN SIMMS, alias Robert Monroe, etc., plead guilty to five charges of forgery; thereupon he was sentenced to 2 years on each count in the Texas State Penitentiary, Huntsville, Tex.

WM. H. SOCWELL. For the past several months we have been carrying this operator as awaiting trial for a swindle perpetrated against a member at Jacksonville, Fla. During this time Socwell has been serving a sentence at the Federal Penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kan. This sentence was shortened without notifying the Florida authorities in time to act. Therefore Socwell was released. Taking these circumstances into consideration and to keep our statistics in proper shape we are carrying this as a removal.

WM. H. SOCWELL. Following the arrest of this individual by our Kansas City agents, the facts surrounding this arrest being elsewhere in this issue, Socwell escaped from the custody of a sheriff from Jacksonville while en route to that point. At the present time he is a fugitive from justice. Should he be located notify this department or the nearest office of our detective agents.

MRS. JANET STEWART. On July 20, 1917, Mrs. Stewart was sentenced to an indeterminate term at Blackwells Island.

JIM STOREY, bogus check, was sentenced to 2 years in the Texas State Penitentiary, Huntsville, Tex.; sentence was immediately suspended.

WESLEY THOMPSON, JR., forgery. An article appearing in this issue quotes the arrest of Thompson. On July 30, 1917, this operator plead guilty to obtaining money under false pretenses, was fined \$125 and costs; in default of payment he was committed to jail at Jacksonville, Fla., for a term of six months. The defendant was allowed to make his plea as stated above so that he would not have to serve his sentence on the chain gang. During the trial Thompson wore the U. S. army uniform. Military men stationed at Jacksonville became interested in the case, eventually having the fine reduced, which was paid by his father. Thompson therefore was released on August 7, 1917, and has joined his command.

CHARLES C. WARD, alias C. Ward, etc., was on June 4, 1917, sentenced to 4 months in the County Jail, Chicago, Ill.

ARTHUR JAMES WATERS, alias James Hartley, etc., forgery, on July 17, 1917, plead guilty to larceny and was sentenced to 1 to 7 years in the Oregon State Penitentiary, Salem, Ore.

ROBERT J. WEIR, alias Robt. J. Ware, J. H. Bell, etc. On July 9, 1917, Weir appeared for trial at Sacramento, Cal., and was acquitted of the charge of issuing worthless checks in Sacramento County.

Correction

We wish to call the attention of the members to the "Statistics of the Protective Department" which appears in this issue, as it will be noted by those who have been following these statistics from month to month that a correction has been made. Through an error which occurred in the October issue of the JOURNAL Supplement we have been carrying our records of arrests incorrectly, the error only just being discovered. The statistics as they appear now are in their corrected form.

AWAITING ACTION

ALLEGED FORGERIES AND SWINDLES

Archer, John E., forgery, Bellevue, Pa.
 Bachrack, Morris, forgery, Wilkes-Barre, Pa.
 Bacon, Floyd C., forgery, Conneaut, Ohio.
 Bland, W. F., bogus certificate of deposit, Yale, Okla.
 Blankman, David, forgeries, Boston, Mass.
 Boxley, P. H., bogus certificate of deposit, Hugo, Okla.
 Brady, S. A., forgery, Salt Lake City, Utah.
 Brock, J. A., forgery, Antlers, Okla.
 Broder, Otto F., forgery, Detroit, Mich.
 Buckles, Charles, forgery, Caruthersville, Mo.
 Bunch Essie, forgery, Memphis, Tenn.
 Bundy, H. C., forgery, San Francisco, Cal.
 Campbell, George, forgery, Beckley, W. Va.
 Carter, Dave, forgery, Houston, Tex.
 Casey, R. C., forgery, Portland, Ore.
 Chalmers, Donald, bogus check, Hundred, W. Va.
 Chisholm, Frank, forgery, New York, N. Y.
 Churchill, Roy, forgery, Amarillo, Tex.
 Cogswell, A. J., forgery, New York, N. Y.
 Cohn, E. A., forged notes, Kansas City, Mo.
 Colwell, H.-H., forgery, Plainview, Tex.
 Craun, James R., forgery, Tulsa, Okla.
 Dalton, Dewey, forgery, Harrison, Ark.
 Donovan, Sherman, forgery, Pittsburgh, Pa.
 Dugger, W. L., mortgage swindle, Hillsboro, Tex.

Edwards, Lyttleton C., forgery, Washington, D. C.
 Edwards, Mrs. L. C., forgery, New York, N. Y.
 Eichler, Henry, forgery, Utica, N. Y.
 Evans, H. R., bogus certificate of deposit, Ada, Okla.
 Faith, James, forgery, Corona, N. M.
 Friese, Harold, worthless check, Bridgeport, Conn.
 Freese, John, forgery, Chicago, Ill.
 Frosell, C. Gustave, bogus check, Chicago, Ill.
 Garnett, Chas. H., bogus certificate of deposit, Ada, Okla.
 Goble, V. R., forged notes, Concordia, Mo.
 Goettel, Sam, worthless checks, Waterloo, Iowa.
 Gore, Robert, forgery, Madison, W. Va.
 Grant, J. W., forgeries, Elwood City, Pa.
 Hayden, William, forgery, Portland, Ore.
 Henry, J. C., worthless checks, Moberly, Mo.
 Hix, J. S., bogus certificate of deposit, Ada, Okla.
 Hodge, Allie, raised check, Birmingham, Mich.
 Holden, E. N., forgery, Clay, W. Va.
 Howard, Felix, forgery, Houston, Tex.
 Huddleston, J. W., forgery, Duncan, Okla.
 Hunt, Hames S., forgery, Detroit, Mich.
 Ivanov, Mike, forgery, Cedar Rapids, Iowa.
 Jones, Edward E., forgery, El Paso, Tex.
 Jones, J. Greeley, bogus certificates of deposit, Ada, Okla.
 Kerr, George, forgery, Harrison, Ark.
 Kwiatkosky, Roy, forgery, Ellwood City, Pa.
 Klein, George, forgery, St. Joseph, Mo.
 Kocker, Emil, forgery, Jersey City, N. J.
 Larson, E. D., forgery, Bountiful, Utah.
 Lawless, George W., bogus checks, Detroit, Mich.
 Leonard, Jack W., forgery, New York, N. Y.
 Locke, H. A., bogus certified check, Savannah, Ga.
 Lowery, Ray B., forgery, Ada, Okla.
 Mack, J. W., bogus certificate of deposit, Hugo, Okla.
 Markowitz, Elias, forgery, New York, N. Y.
 Martin, Herbert, forgery, Franklin, La.
 Martin, June, forgery, Franklin, La.
 Massey, W. B., forgery, Blytheville, Ark.
 Matthews, J. D., bogus certificate of deposit, Cushing, Okla.
 McArdle, T. J., worthless checks, Portland, Ore.
 McCarthy, Elmore, forgery, Houston, Tex.
 McClanahan, J. A., forged notes, Concordia, Mo.
 McVey, J. F., forgery, Little Rock, Ark.
 Meyers, E. O., forgery, El Paso, Tex.
 Milligan, J. A., forgery, Dallas, Tex.
 Montgomery, Forest, forgery, Clarinda, Iowa.
 Moore, Lester, forgery, Birmingham, Ala.
 Mulligan, Wm. F., forgery, El Paso, Tex.
 Nedham, Ray, worthless check, Humboldt, Kan.
 Nix, Wyatt L., bogus certificate of deposit, Hugo, Okla.
 Parker, Ed., swindle, Northport, Wash.
 Patton, Thomas W., worthless draft, Springfield, Ill.
 Peterson, Lawrence, forgery, St. Louis, Mo.
 Poche, Joseph L., worthless check, Center City, Minn.
 Poellet, Jr., C. T., worthless check, Buffalo, N. Y.
 Rembert, Julius, forgery, Houston, Tex.
 Robinette, I. T., Mt. Hope, W. Va.
 Roll, D. M., forgery, Evansville, Ind.
 Rollison, C. A., raised check, Wayeross, Ga.
 Runnells, York, forgery, Houston, Tex.
 Salisbury, Geo. R., bogus checks, Birmingham, Ala.
 Schaeffer, Fred, forgery, Toledo, Ohio.
 Schulthess, Heber B., forgery, Salt Lake City, Utah.
 Scott, Walter A., forgery, Pasco, Wash.

Sheldon, James E., mortgage swindle, Leesburg, Fla.
 Shindler, Jack, forgery, Sioux City, Iowa.
 Shipman, Horace M., bogus draft, Oklahoma City, Okla.
 Soewell, Wm. H., forgery, Jacksonville, Fla.
 Sullivan, Twain, swindle, Chester, Mont.
 Thompson, H. O., forgery, Chicago, Ill.
 Tisor, Carl R., accomplice of swindler, Forsyth, Mont.
 Van Leuven, Bert, worthless check, Salina, Kan.
 Von Voorst, Fred, forgery, Indianapolis, Ind.
 Wachter, Philip, forgery, Scranton, Pa.
 Walters, August, forgery, Onida, S. D.
 Warner, Lon, mortgage swindle, Higgins, Tex.
 Watkins, Jack, forgery, Houston, Tex.
 Weil, M. L., worthless draft, Elko, Nev.
 Weir, Robert J., forgery, Alameda, Cal.
 Wetmore, Claude H., forgery, St. Louis, Mo.
 Willis, G. S., bogus check, Brooksville, Fla.
 Wisdom, G. C., bogus certificate of deposit, Cushing, Okla.
 Woods, Mingo, forgery, Houston, Tex.

BURGLARS AND HOLD-UP ROBBERS

Alderman, Hugh, hold-up, Homestead, Fla.
 Bear, A., suspected hold-up, Hugo, Okla.
 Bergens, J. W., robbery and murder, Point, Tex.
 Burton, Jack, attempted robbery, Lorain, Ohio.
 Carr, Jess, burglary, Lilly, Pa.
 Carden, Julius, hold-up, Heavener, Okla.
 Carsen, Grady, hold-up, Heavener, Okla.
 Carter, Charlie, alleged bank robber, Point, Tex.
 Clair, Henry, hold-up, Tuskahoma, Okla.
 Coyle, Leo, burglary, Lilly, Pa.
 Fortimer, Howard, contemplated robbery, Windsor, Ill.
 Fotaff, Thomas, attempted robbery, Lorain, Ohio.
 Garrick, Pat, burglary, Lilly, Pa.
 Gibson, Frank, hold-up, Union, Okla.
 Jarvis, M. M., hold-up, Union, Okla.
 Jenkins, H. P., robbery, El Paso, Ark.
 Lemons, Doc, robbery, El Paso, Ark.
 Littrell, Jess, hold-up, Harrah, Okla.
 McKinney, Calvin, robbery, Crowder, Okla.
 Marvin, Harold, robbery, Oronogo, Mo.
 Perry, Julia, burglary, Lilly, Pa.
 Quattlebaum, Arthur, robbery, El Paso, Ark.
 Quattlebaum, John, robbery, El Paso, Ark.
 Quattlebaum, Sid, robbery, El Paso, Ark.
 Rankin, Iola, suspected hold-up, Hugo, Okla.
 Smith, Frank, hold-up, Heavener, Okla.
 Stone, Jim, robbery, El Paso, Ark.
 Winfield, C. P., suspected hold-up, Hugo, Okla.

STATISTICS OF THE PROTECTIVE DEPARTMENT

| | Awaiting trial, August 31, 1916 | Arrested since August 31, 1916 | Arrests in July, 1917 | Total | Convicted | Discharged or acquitted | Fugitive, escaped, insane or dead | Awaiting trial |
|----------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------|-------|-----------|----------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------|
| Forgers.. .. . | 99 | 335 | 38 | 373 | 239 | 101 | 24 | 108 |
| Burglars..... | 11 | 11 | 11 | 2 | 5 | .. | 4 | .. |
| Hold-up robbers..... | 14 | 57 | 2 | 59 | 40 | 8 | 1 | 24 |
| Total.. .. . | 113 | 403 | 40 | 443 | 281 | 114 | 25 | 136 |

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RULES OF THE PROTECTIVE COMMITTEE

1. Upon receipt of notification by the General Secretary, Five Nassau Street, New York City, or the nearest office or correspondent of the William J. Burns International Detective Agency, Inc., of an attempted or successful perpetration of fraud or crime upon a member of this Association in its banking rooms, or in the rooms of such branches as are members, either by forgery, check-raising, worthless or bogus checks, swindle, sneak theft, robbery, hold-up or burglary therein, the committee will at once use its best efforts to apprehend the criminal. No action however, will be taken unless immediate notice is given, and **a case once committed to the Association cannot be taken out of its hands nor the offense condoned or compromised.** If for any reason whatsoever no prosecution takes place when the member is in a legal position to aid in the prosecution, and fails to do so, such member shall reimburse the Association for all expenses incurred in connection with the case reported.

2. In reporting cases the member agrees to swear out a warrant for the criminal concerned when his identity has been determined: or a John Doe warrant at once in states where permitted. The committee relentlessly pursues both amateur and professional criminals in cases of attempted or successful fraud or crime upon member of the Association, but cannot take cognizance of such offenses where perpetrated upon others than members, or of so-called "inside jobs" where the offender is an officer or employee of a member. The committee relies upon the state, county or local authorities to arrange for the extradition and the payment of expense incident to the return of a prisoner. The committee will not pay witness fees, and will not be responsible for any expense incurred for protective work which has not been previously authorized.

PROTECTIVE DEPARTMENT

L. W. GAMMON, MANAGER
Five Nassau Street, New York

SEPTEMBER PROTECTIVE WORK

WARNING

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

We take these means of notifying our members of an appointment by the Protective Committee, assigning Mr. C. E. Sears as Special Representative for the American Bankers Association with offices in suite 921-22 Healey Building, Atlanta, Ga. Mr. Sears is to handle all investigations for our members in the State of Georgia and the counties of the following states, which are in close proximity to Atlanta: Florida, Alabama, Tennessee, North Carolina, South Carolina and Kentucky.

BOGUS QUARTERMASTER'S OFFICER FINDS NUMEROUS VICTIMS

Posing as a Captain in the quartermaster's department, Keiser secures funds on his worthless checks

At the present time there is a swindler working in the eastern and southern states who has just recently appointed and assigned himself as a captain in the quartermaster's department. He has been more than successful in his operations which, to say the least, are very bold. In one instance he appeared at an aeroplane plant under government contract and obtained an introduction to the United States Army officer in charge, who accepted the impostor as a *bona fide* officer and even went so far as to introduce him to a local bank, where this operator, under the alias of Captain R. J. Gelet, secured funds on a worthless check drawn on the Bankers Trust, Astor Branch, New York City.

In another instance he encountered two army officers at Baltimore and they, too, accepted him as genuine and accompanied him to several merchants, where he placed large orders of merchandise presumably for his department. While on this tour he cashed several of his worthless checks.

His method to obtain blank checks is to open accounts in several banks with checks of large amounts drawn on a Kentucky bank. He leaves these checks for collection where he fails to secure an advance and tries elsewhere.

Through information supplied by the New York police, this operator was arrested in Atlantic City on August 28. He secured his release on a small cash bond and is now a fugitive from justice.

During his transactions he has used the names of Capt. John E. Long, W. E. Lucas, George Hann, J. C. Keiser, John A. Logan, R. J. Gelet, Harry H. Anderson. In all his operations he has represented himself to be a captain connected with the quartermaster's department, and has really proven that he was familiar with the duties of that department, which leaves us to believe that he is an ex-army man. His description is: 35 years, 5 feet 6 $\frac{3}{4}$ inches, 141 pounds, dark brown hair, brown eyes. Has a hooked nose and a scar on same;



J. C. KEISER

slightly stooped-shouldered. His left arm bears the tattoo marks of "Myras" in red and blue ink, also a butterfly, dragon, bee and cross. On his right arm he has three stars, red, white and blue, a Japanese god and an American flag tattooed.

NATHAN ORSHER. Several New Orleans member banks have just discovered a loss due to irregular transactions performed by Nathan Orsher, former President of the O. K. Knitting Mills, Inc., a local corporation. Orsher in his position as president of this concern negotiated loans and gave



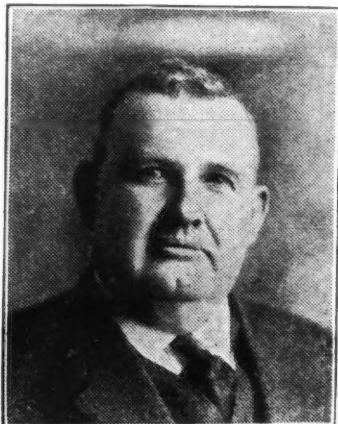
NATHAN ORSHER

as security invoices purporting to cover merchandise actually sold. Subsequent events proved that the invoices were fictitious. These transactions were carried on for several years, and in each instance Orsher was able to protect himself. Lately he became so heavily involved that he left the vicinity and then mailed a confession to his partner, who is perfectly inno-

cent of any wrong dealings. Orsher is 33 years, 5 feet 8 inches, 145 pounds, black hair, black eyes. Sharp features, large nose, heavy eyebrows. Russian by birth.

BANK ROBBERS FOILED

A cleverly planned hold-up of a member bank at McCloud, Cal., was frustrated by the bravery of the cashier and ended disastrously for one of the robbers. Two men entered the bank, which is situated in a small lumber town and ordered the cashier to hold up his hands. The cashier, grasping the situation, quickly dropped behind the counter; the robbers thereupon opened fire through the wooden partition, but fortunately none of the shots took effect. Knowing that their shots would have the effect of warning the public, they hastily left the premises and took to the woods, closely followed by a few of the inhabitants. Several shots were exchanged, resulting in one of the bandits being wounded, as he was found about a half hour later near a stream where he had been bathing his foot. Upon examination of the body, the search revealed a bullet hole in his heel and another through his head. These circumstances lead the searchers to believe that the bandit's partner had deliberately killed him when he saw that his capture was only a question of hours, due to the wound on the foot. The second bandit easily escaped, as the timber is very dense in the vicinity. The identity of the robbers was not ascertained. The California Bankers Association co-operated with this association in financing an investigation.



HARRY ABNEY

HARRY ABNEY. By disposing of cattle grazing on ranches near Roswell, N. M., upon which members located at Roswell and Del Rio, N. M., and Kansas City, Mo., held mortgages, Abney has defrauded these members in a large amount. Warrants have been issued and every step necessary is being taken to cause his apprehension. Abney is 40 to 45 years, 6 feet, 250 pounds; has ruddy complexion, dark blonde hair, blue eyes, small face and head for size of body, large stomach. Is a cattle man by profession.

T. E. ADAMS has victimized a Chelsea, Okla., member by removing mortgaged property. Adams secured a loan from



T. E. ADAMS

the member and gave as security five head of horses. Shortly after the transaction the bank discovered that Adams had left the vicinity with the property and is now wanted. He is 35 years, 160 pounds, 5 feet 8 inches; has dark hair.



JOHN ARCHER

INFORMATION WANTED

JOHN ARCHER. We are desirous of securing any record that may be had of this individual. This department would appreciate being advised if any of our readers recognize Archer as some one known to them. His description is 31 years, 5 feet 10 inches, 146 pounds, fair complexion, light-brown hair, blue eyes; stenographer.

J. BERESFORD, alias S. J. Hammond, alias W. G. Lutz, is operating with a draft of the Continental National Bank which bears the traced signature of the cashier. This member reports that several drafts were stolen from their banking rooms. The operator is described as 35 to 38 years, 5 feet 10 inches, 180 pounds; has dark brown hair, face pock-marked.

MRS. SADIE BROWN. By securing funds on a note bearing the alleged forged indorsement of her husband, Mrs. Brown has victimized a Berlin, N. J., member. When the first note became due Mrs. Brown gave her personal check for a partial payment and secured a new note for the balance. When the note again fell due Mrs. Brown failed to respond

to a request for settlement, consequently a notice was sent to her husband, whereupon the bank discovered the fraud, as Mr. Brown repudiated his signatures on both notes. She is 34 years, 5 feet 7 inches, 145 pounds; has light brown hair and very coarse features.

GEORGE H. BURRIS, as a depositor of a Burlington, N. J., member, was able to secure a loan on his note which was indorsed by a responsible business man. During the duration of this loan Burris was engaged in the ice business, and from time to time he made new loans; in each instance the same business man indorsed his note. Several weeks ago Burris suddenly disappeared. Subsequent events have disclosed the fact that Burris forged the signature of the sponser to all the notes and left the vicinity with considerable of the funds in his possession. He is described as 43 years, 5 feet 7 inches, 155 pounds, dark brown hair.

A. H. DAVIS, alias E. Elliott. This individual successfully operated against a Spokane member by securing funds on check presumably issued by the New York Brass & Iron Works, which bore the forged signature of the maker. Our agents are now endeavoring to trace the operator's movements, his true identity being known. He is 30 to 35 years, 6 feet, 170 pounds; has black hair, ruddy complexion, black mustache.

DR. TH. DE BEAUPRE. Having gained the confidence of a depositor with a local member, this operator solicited a \$100 check for a business proposition. Due to the fact that the depositor was a poor scribe, the swindler, at the suggestion of the depositor, filled out a check for the amount mentioned. As the operator was well known at the bank, he experienced no difficulty in obtaining the full amount of the check, which had been altered to read \$400. Beaupre is described as 50 years, 5 feet 6 inches, 140 pounds; bald, wears glasses, several front teeth missing.

Dr. Th. De Beaupre

R. D. DEWEY. This individual is traveling through the mid-western states in a Ford car, claiming to be selling plumbing; he sometimes carries one or more bath tubs on his car; he is assigning agents to cover certain territory and then secures from the newly appointed agent a note covering a consignment of bath tubs and other supplies. He then arranges to have the note discounted by the banks, who usually give him in payment part cash and a draft. Later the issuing bank stops payment of the drafts, as the supposed agent has discovered that he is an agent for a non-existing firm. Dewey is 40 to 50 years, 5 feet 7 inches, 215 pounds; dark hair, several gold teeth.

J. W. DODSON. This individual, after mortgaging several head of horses to a Blue Springs, Mo., member, sold the stock and left the vicinity. Our Kansas City detective agents are now endeavoring to trace Dodson's movements.

T. H. DOUGLAS, alias W. A. Stokes, who claims to be a lieutenant, recently defrauded a member bank of Sacramento, Cal., by forging the name of a depositor. He dresses in the regulation army uniform, but improperly carries a large army revolver strapped around his waist. Since the bank transaction he has confined his operations against hotels. He is 24 years, 5 feet 7 inches, 160 pounds; has dark hair.

T. H. Douglas

JOHN FORD. A member of Camden, N. J., has sustained a loss through the operations of Ford, who forged the signature of a prominent Camden business man. He is 35 years, 5 feet 10 inches.

FRANK F. GREEN. By depositing a draft drawn against the Security National Bank, Dallas, Tex., leaving same for collection, and then securing funds on a similar draft for a small amount, Green has caused a Bowling Green, Ky., member to suffer a loss, as both items were returned as worthless. This operator is 50 years, 6 feet, 165 pounds; has light complexion, brown hair. Poses as a devout church member.

Frank F. Green

PETE HANNAWIN has victimized a Missoula, Mont., member by securing funds on an uncollected item. Hannawin was well known by officials of the bank, and when he deposited a check drawn on an out-of-town bank, they did not hesitate in accommodating him to the full amount of the check. Our Spokane detective agents are now engaged upon an investigation.

RUFUS KING. After receiving a check for \$1 from his employer, King raised same to \$18 and secured the funds from a Billings, Mont., member. Kings claims Charleston, W. Va., as his home.

R. L. LOVE. A party representing himself as such called at the bank of a Cement, Okla., member and negotiated a loan, offering to mortgage cattle in another county. The member requested that the stock be moved to the local county before the loan could be made. Several days later, this individual again called at the bank and informed the officials that the stock was then pastured on a nearby farm. An investigation showed that the cattle were at the farm mentioned, consequently the loan was carried through. Subsequent events proved that the mortgaged stock was owned by the farmer upon whose pasture they were grazing. Our Kansas City agents are now engaged upon an investigation. Love is described as 24 to 26 years, 6 feet, 165 pounds, blonde hair.

R. L. Love

JOHN R. MACK, alias C. E. Champlin. An operator using these names has been working in the vicinity of Houston, Tex., with checks drawn on the Industrial Trust Company, Providence, R. I. He has also operated with a forged 100-share certificate of the D'Artois Oil & Refining Company, Houston, Tex. He has been described as being 35 to 40 years, 5 feet 5½ inches, 175 pounds, light complexion, red cheeks, blue eyes, blonde hair.

R. G. McDONALD. Representing himself to be connected with Clay Robinson & Co., Chicago, McDonald is operating against banks with a bogus certified check. He usually addresses a letter to his intended victim, then follows up same a day or two later. This letter has every appearance of being genuine and is presumably issued by the above-mentioned concern. The contents of this letter informs the member that McDonald will call on them in a day or two and desires to have a certified check handled for him as he is engaged in buying horses for a Government contract. The certification of

the Continental & Commercial National Bank, Chicago, is a forgery. Should this man call upon you, detain him and notify Secretary Andrew Smith, Indiana Bankers Association. McDonald is described as 27 years, 150 pounds and dark complexion.

W. B. McDonald
Certified
C. & Nat Bank
Wilson W. Lampert
Cashier

FRANK MEYERS, alias Franklin Moore, alias W. B. Smith. This individual is traveling through the cities on the Pacific coast issuing checks drawn on the Farmers & Merchants State Bank, Brighton, Colo. In every instance they are made payable to Frank Meyers and signed Franklin Moore. He is described as 24 years, 5 feet 10 inches, 170 pounds.

Frank Meyers
Franklin Moore.

CLARENCE MOORE recently defrauded a member bank of Hayti, Mo., who advanced him funds upon a check bearing the forged signature of their depositor and Moore's employer. Moore is 23 years, 5 feet 10 inches, 143 pounds; has light blue eyes, blonde hair.

Clarence Moore

H. A. NELSON is wanted by this department for victimizing a Detroit member. Nelson claims to be a special sales conductor and conducts bargain sales for various merchandise houses. While conducting a sale for a local Detroit firm he stole several blank checks, which he afterwards filled out and forged the signature of one of the officials of this firm. These checks were received through the clearings and honored by the member before they discovered the fraud. Nelson is 32 years, 6 feet, 150 pounds, blue or gray eyes, thin dark auburn hair.

E. W. NEWMAN, alias E. W. Lane, is issuing checks and drafts against the Citizens National Bank, Los Angeles, Cal. Newman claims to be a representative of the Augustine Rotary Motor Co., Buffalo, N. Y. This claim, however, is false. His description is 30 years, 5 feet 9 inches, 187 pounds; has light brown hair, blue eyes, small mouth, compressed lips, good teeth, fluent talker.

E. W. Lane

LAFE PEARSE, alias M. R. McGuire. By paying upon a check bearing the forged signature of their customer, a member at Salt Lake City has been victimized by Pearse. The

operator in this case is the stepson of the depositor whose name was forged.

ELMER PURNELL, by forging the signature of his employer, a contractor, Purnell was able to secure funds on checks drawn on a Salt Lake City member. These checks had every appearance of being genuine pay checks. Purnell is a common laborer and is described as follows: 20 years, 5 feet 8 inches, 165 pounds, brown hair.

MARTIN ROEGGE. While employed as a bookkeeper for a Cleveland concern, Roegge altered two checks which called for large sums and made them payable to a firm of which he was a member. He then placed the checks in question to the firm's account, later drawing out the entire balance. A Cleveland member by paying on the altered checks has suffered a loss. Our Pacific coast detective agents are now engaged upon the investigation as it is believed Roegge will try to reach Australia. He is 32 to 35 years, 5 feet 10 inches, 160 to 170 pounds; has light hair and eyes and complexion. Accountant by profession.

Cash 2,500
By M. Roegge

C. H. SIMMS is the operator who secured funds on drafts that were in a sack of mail that was stolen while en route to its destination. A member of Toledo, Ohio, paid on one of these drafts which have the forged indorsement of the payee. The draft used in the transaction was drawn on the First State Savings Bank, Hildale, Mich. Simms is described as 30 years, 5 feet 6 inches, 150 pounds; has ruddy complexion.

C. H. Simms

GEORGE SMITH. Representing himself to be connected with the Northland Studios, Pittsburgh, this operator sold two certificates to a customer of a Coraopolis member, who paid him with a seventy-cent check. This check was later paid by the member who received it in its altered form, it having been raised from \$.70 to \$10.70. Smith is described as 25 years, 5 feet 6 inches, 135 pounds, dark hair and complexion.

Geo. Smith

D. SUPPLE. A non-member of Dewar, Okla., reports an attempt against them, committed by Supple, who endeavored to secure funds on a \$5,000 check drawn on the Bank of Panama, Charleston, W. Va. It is alleged that Supple is also wanted by the local authorities for disposing of mortgaged property. He is 27 years, 5 feet 7 inches, 130 to 135 pounds; has light complexion and blond hair.

M. J. STACK. By forging the signature of a prominent business man of Miami, Fla., to several checks, Stack has victimized a local member, who paid upon the items before the

forgery was discovered. An investigation is now being made by C. E. Sears, special representative of this association.

M. J. Stack

PROFER SZANKOSKI. A member bank of Chester, Pa., has been victimized through the operation of Szankoski, who stole his friend's pass-book and presented same to the member, withdrawing the entire account. Our agents are now actively engaged on the investigation of the case. He is described as 27 years, 6 feet, 160 pounds; has blond hair, swarthy complexion, and an injured side, caused by several broken ribs. Mouth takes a peculiar shape when he laughs.

H. C. TAYLOR, JR. An operator using this name has victimized a member bank of Rochester, N. Y., by means of check bearing the forged signature of another member's customer. Taylor called at the bank and represented himself to be an employee of a brokerage firm well known to the member. He is described as 20 years, 5 feet 9 inches, 150 pounds; has light hair, combed back from forehead, full face, youthful appearance.

B. S. VAN DYKE is drawing checks against the Freeport Bank of Freeport, Pa., which bears the forged signature of a depositor of that bank. The details that they have at this writing are very meager. The operator is described as 22 years, 5 feet 7 inches, 145 pounds; wore dark colored suit and cap. Had the appearance of being a farmer.

EUGENE WAGNER. While being in the employ of a rancher in the vicinity of Rocky Ford, Colo., Wagner forged his employer's signature to six checks and secured the funds on same from a local member. Following the last transaction, Wagner presumably left for Denver. He is described as 23 years, 5 feet 6 inches, 145 pounds; has fair complexion, blue eyes, brown hair, Roman nose, square chin, long head.

EDWARD WALTERS has caused a Philadelphia member to sustain a loss through their paying him money on a check drawn against the main office of the injured member; the check being returned as worthless. Walters secured an introduction at the bank through a local party. He is described as 47 years, 5 feet 6 inches, 150 pounds; has a small brown mustache.

EDWARD WEDGE, JR. By accepting a certificate of deposit for its face value, a member at Ionia, Mich., has been defrauded, due to the fact that this certificate bore a forged indorsement. Our Detroit detective agents are now investigating the case.

GEORGE WOODS, alias CHAS. D. MAINS. A Bakersfield, Cal., member has sustained a loss through paying upon checks bearing the forged signature of their depositor. Four checks in all were put through their customer's account, each being drawn to cash. The description of the operator is 40 years, 5 feet 8 inches, 175 pounds; has fair complexion, light brown hair, slightly gray. Front teeth bad, squinty eyes. The California Bankers Association is aiding in financing an investigation.

Chas. D. Maine

STOLEN BONDS

We are requested by Secretary Geo. D. Bartlett, of the Wisconsin Bankers Association, to report the theft of the following bonds:

2—\$500 Wisconsin Power, Light & Heat Co. No. D229-230, 5 per cent., due 6/1, 1946.

2—\$500 Palo Alto County, Ia. (funding), Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 11, and 12, 4½ per cent., due 11/1, 1920-21.

1—\$1,000 Iowa City (Bridge Bond), No. 1, 4½ per cent., due 11/1, 1917.

1—\$500 Stevens Point, Wis. (Sewer), No. 3, 5 per cent., due 8/1, 1918.

4—City of Galesville, Ill., Improvement Bonds, No. 3—\$500, No. 4—\$200 and \$200, No. 5 (PH)—\$115.93, 5 per cent., due 7/1, 1922-23.

These bonds were stolen from the Bank of Shiocton, Wis., non-member, on the night of September 13, 1917, at which time this bank was burglarized.

Should any of the above listed bonds come to the attention of our members, they should immediately notify Secretary Bartlett, at Milwaukee, Wis.

LOST CERTIFICATE

We have been requested to report the loss of a certificate of deposit No. 2182, issued by the Hibernian Banking Association, Chicago, Ill., payable to Jacob H. Young, in the sum of \$1,500. Should this certificate come to the attention of any of our members we should immediately be notified.

LOST LIBERTY LOAN BONDS INTERIM CERTIFICATES

A member at New York City reports the loss of two Liberty Loan bonds interim certificates described as follows:

| GREEN NUMBERS | RED NUMBERS |
|-------------------------|-------------|
| \$1,000.....No. 355,968 | B 65,968 |
| \$1,000.....No. 355,969 | B 65,969 |

Should these bonds come to the attention of any of our members we should be immediately notified, as transfer on them has been stopped.

LOST SCHOOL BOND

Information has just been received from a member at Chicago, Ill., to the effect that the following described bond has been lost or stolen:

No. 21, County of Madrid, School District, New Madrid, Mo., \$250.00, with coupon of \$6.25 attached, dated September 1, 1891, due September 1, 1917.

Should this bond be presented for payment, immediately notify this department.

GENERAL

L. W. ALLEN. A Sterling, Colo., member has suffered a loss through the paying upon a check which bore the forged indorsement of the payee. This check was stolen from a R. F. D. mail box. The description of the operator is 28 years, 5 feet 7 inches, 145 pounds, blue eyes, light hair, ruddy complexion and reddish mustache.

G. W. ANDERSON (true name Jno. U. Solkeld) is under arrest at Baltimore, Md., being charged with securing funds under false pretenses. For sometime past this individual has been drawing checks on the Harriman National and the Equitable Trust Company, New York City. He is described as 35 years, 5 feet 7 inches, 135 pounds, dark eyes, complexion and hair

WM. H. BERRY is issuing checks drawn on the Coatesville National Bank, Coatesville, Pa. His usual method is to have some responsible party indorse the check which enables him to secure the funds on same from a local bank. He is 25 to 30 years, 5 feet 7 inches, slender, dark hair, swarthy complexion. Claims to be a minister.

JOHN BOON has been arrested for the Littleton, Ill., authorities charged with having been implicated in the burglary of the Littleton State Bank, non-member. He is described as 45 years, 275 pounds and has a very reddish complexion.

F. C. BROBST, made mention of in the August, 1917, issue of the JOURNAL Supplement, has been arrested by the Cheyenne, Wyo., authorities. He is being held at that point to answer local charges. When arrested he had cashier checks on the Prudential Trust Co., Boston, Mass., drafts on the United States National Bank, Denver, Colo., and the Bank of Douglas, Douglas, Ariz. He also had a large number of checks on the Hibernia Bank & Trust Co., Denver, and the Merchants National Bank, San Francisco, Cal. Previous to his arrest he placed an order with a local printer for a supply of drafts on the Fifth-Third National Bank, Cincinnati, Ohio. He was not successful in defrauding a member.

M. COLEMAN, at one time a prominent physician, was on August 20, 1917, sentenced from 1 to 5 years in the Washington State Penitentiary for passing a worthless check on a Spokane hotel. Drug was the cause of his downfall.

J. CRANE is issuing checks drawn against the Fort Dearborn Trust & Savings Bank, Chicago, purporting to be issued by the Drexel Ice Cream Co. Crane is described as 19 years, 5 feet 6 inches, 150 pounds, black hair and complexion. Wears cap and uniform of the Drexel Ice Cream Co.

ARTHUR CRANSTON. A worthless check operator has been arrested at Buffalo, N. Y., and is being held for the Boston, Mass., authorities, who want him for forgeries committed in 1913.

L. D. DILLION, alias John Moore, is operating with checks drawn against the Hamilton National and the Home Savings and Trust Co., Denver, Colo. The checks bear the forged signature of a depositor of the two banks. So far the operator has been unsuccessful in his operations.

G. A. FRETWELL. Posing as an officer in training at a nearby military encampment, Fretwell victimized a Lake City, Fla., member, by securing funds from a check drawn on the Macon National Bank, Macon, Ga. He is described as 27 years, 5 feet 10 inches, 135 pounds, light red hair.

JOHN L. GREEN. Claiming to be the proprietor of the Hoffman Company, cleaners, Washington, D. C., Green gained the confidence of a local member only to defraud them by

means of a worthless check drawn on the First National Bank, Springfield, Ill. A short investigation by the member disclosed the fact that Green was only an employee and had been discharged for irregularities.

STANLEY J. GUST, alias C. P. Davis, alias J. P. Guenst. A member bank of Spokane, Wash., reported to our local detective agents the facts concerning the returning of a check bearing the forged signature of a depositor. After a short investigation the operator, whose true name is Stanley J. Gunst, was located at Fort Wright. A complete confession was secured. Following the giving of his confession, Gunst was left in charge of the military authorities for punishment.

ROBERT N. HEATH is representing himself as an agent of the Collins Publicity Service, Philadelphia, and is securing funds of checks drawn on the Hackensack National Bank, Hackensack, N. J. The bank has been unable to verify Heath's claim as to his connection with Philadelphia firm.

E. C. HOLT and **HARRY OSBORNE.** The Amite Bank & Trust Co., Amite, La., report that these two individuals have in some manner secured possession of their checks and are passing same in the vicinity of Chicago. No description was supplied.

H. H. HOWE, alias Harry Howe. An operator residing in the vicinity of Glasco, Kan., has been issuing checks to the merchants in the vicinity. These checks are on the Farmers State Bank of Alton, Kan.

A. G. JACOBS, alias Francis Henderson has been issuing checks drawn on the Hibernia Bank & Trust Co., New Orleans. These checks are in small amounts and his victims are usually hotel proprietors and merchants.

A. G. Jacobs
Francis Henderson

CHARLES L. LOOMIS, alias W. E. McLain, alias George Graff. Numerous merchants have been victimized by Loomis, who is issuing bogus checks drawn against the First National Bank, Amsterdam, New York. These checks are always indorsed George Graff and signed by one of the above-mentioned aliases.

J. J. LORRAINNE, a soldier of fortune and a Frenchman by birth is under arrest at Dallas, Tex., awaiting to be returned to Laredo, Tex., where he has been charged with raising a check from \$3 to \$300. He is described as 32 years, 5 feet 9 inches, 160 pounds; has light complexion, light eyes, brown hair and smooth shaven.



JACK MANNING

JACK MANNING, alias J. Carroll Manning, alias J. Carroll Russell, was on August 24, 1917, arrested at Huntington, W. Va. Manning had a very peculiar method of operation. He would appear in a small city, strike up an acquaintance with a respectable girl, fall madly in love with her, propose marriage and during the last stage of his courtship would make out checks in the favor of his fiancée. She would have no difficulty in securing the funds. Before the worthless check could be returned Manning would drop from sight. In his last transaction he used checks on the Dollar Savings & Trust Co., Wheeling, W. Va. He will be returned to Columbus, Ohio, for prosecution. So far we have not received reports of this operator as having victimized any of our members. He is 29 years, 5 feet 5½ inches, 133 pounds; has fair complexion and chestnut brown hair. Electrical engineer. His bertillon measurements are: 66.0 19.0 26.2 69.7 14.9 12.1 86.7 13.2 9.5 6.2 46.3. Finger prints: 13/25 U/U =22

JAMES McELROY. The authorities at Newark, N. J., have effected the arrest of McElroy who was wanted for a chain of petty forgeries. It is alleged that he has been stealing letters from the mails and forging the indorsements of checks found in the stolen letters. About a year ago this individual, while engaged in a clerical position for a local member, stole a 100-share certificate of the Muskogee Refining Co. This certificate was later sold to a brokerage firm by McElroy, who afterwards disappeared.

GEORGE E. MEYERS. On the eve of his departure for military service, with the first 5 per cent. of drafted men, Meyers was arrested at Kansas City, Mo., on a charge of issuing a worthless draft in payment of three mules. He then sold the mules at a great bargain, making a good profit for himself.

HENRY MOORE, alias Henry Martin, alias Henry Lewis, alias B. H. Lawrence, has been touring the eastern states and flooding the communities with his worthless checks drawn against the Luzerne County National Bank, Wilkes-Barre, Pa. The member advises us that this individual has stolen a supply of their counter checks and has had the words "counter check" clipped off the end. It is these checks that they are returning.

J. D. MOTT. Claiming to be a representative of the Bradley & Mott Service Corporation, of Detroit, Mich., an impostor using this name is soliciting membership in this concern which is supposed to handle automobile supplies. All letters are returned with the notation on them to the effect that this corporation does not exist. Should he call upon you kindly report his activities to your local authorities.

FRED O'CONNELL. After forging the name of a customer of a Tulsa, Okla., member and securing funds from the checks by passing them on merchants, O'Connell proceeded to Chicago. On August 28th, this individual called on the Chicago offices of our detective agents and requested to be taken into custody for the crime. Arrangements are being made to have him returned to Tulsa.

RAYMOND PECK (true name Dean Ring), alias Elson Reichner, alias Carl Craig, etc., who has been drawing checks on the National Bank of Elyria, Ohio, is under arrest at Baltimore, he having defrauded a local merchant with one of his bogus certified checks. Previous articles have been published concerning this operator in the January, March and July, 1915, JOURNAL Supplement. His photograph appears in the February, 1912, Detective, page 5, column 3.

CHARLES F. RANDOLPH. On August 27, 1917, this individual was arrested by the local authorities at New York, being charged with appropriating funds from a check to his own use. Randolph's employer endorsed his insurance check and sent him to the bank to secure the funds. Failing to return from this errand his employer notified the police who effected Randolph's arrest shortly afterwards.



W. E. RODGERS.

W. E. RODGERS. The Baltimore police have in their possession a worthless check operator who deserves mention. For some time past Rodgers has been operating with checks drawn on the Drivers & Mechanics National Bank, Baltimore, Md., he having crossed out this bank's name and inserted the First National Bank, Charlotte, N. C., title. He has also used checks drawn on the Sumter Trust Co., Sumter, S. C. During his operations he has used the aliases of A. T. Murphy, C. E. Roberts, Roy L. Robertson, Norman L. Jones, Henry G. Robinson, and John L. Bates. He confined his operations solely to merchants and hotels. He is 35 years, 5 feet 7 inches, 150 pounds; has chestnut hair, blue eyes, and a large nose.

STANLEY SANDS, **CHARLES LANTHEN** and **BOB PHILLMEN** are under arrest at Columbus, Ohio, being charged with planning a daylight hold up of a bank located in Richmond, Ohio. We are unable to furnish descriptions at this time.

CLARENCE J. SMITH, whom we made mention of in the October, November, 1916, and the January, 1917, issues of the JOURNAL Supplement was granted an appeal following his sentence of thirty days in the county jail at Akron, Ohio. He was released on bail and has forfeited same.

T. A. STOVALL. At the request of the Mobile, Ala., police, the Baltimore authorities effected the arrest of Stovall, who is charged with issuing bogus checks drawn against the Bank of Mobile. He is described as 35 years, 5 feet 9 inches, 180 pounds; has dark complexion, dark hair and eyes.

BERT TAYLOR, alias Brant Seymour. We have been advised by our Baltimore detective agents of the facts surrounding the arrest of Taylor by the local police. This operator has been issuing checks drawn on the Fidelity Trust Co., Philadelphia, and following his arrest, while being searched, several protectographed checks, purporting to be issued by the Queen Quality Skirt Co., were found on his person. He is 32 years, 5 feet 7 inches, 135 pounds; has light chestnut hair, thin on top, gray eyes, very thin features. Claims to be a piano player by profession.

J. D. WARD. An Oklahoma City member reports protesting a check drawn on the State Exchange Bank, payable to Ward and signed by F. W. Willard, the supposed maker. This

check also bears a forged certification stamp of the above-mentioned member. Several of these checks have been returned to various cities in Missouri and Ohio.

FRANK WILLIAMS, alias Edward Bergenski, alias Joe Kenweski. Merchants and café owners are being flooded with checks drawn on the Fort Dearborn National Bank, Chicago, purporting to be issued by C. W. Howard and payable to Williams or one of his aliases. The operator is 29 years, 5 feet 8 inches, 160 pounds; has light complexion, thick blond hair, full face, thick lips and very loud talker.

ARRESTED

USHER FOR BILLY SUNDAY MEETINGS ARRESTED FOR NEW YORK FORGERIES

F. I. SNOW, alias George S. Dunlop, alias Sydney Dunlop, etc. Had Snow remained honest there is no question but what he would have been a successful business man, as he has shown by his transactions that he was a capable salesman. For the past several months this operator has been preying against the banking fraternity with his worthless checks. In every instance he has used the same method to gain the confidence of his victims. He has represented himself to be connected with Colgate & Co., Murphy Truck Company, Edison Distributing Co., Fletcher Hosiery Co. and the Improved Acetylene Gas Appliance Co. His habit was to arrange to open an expensive suite of offices, open an account with a local



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bank, making the initial deposit in cash, later to deposit checks drawn on distant banks which eventually are returned as worthless.

On three occasions he has approached representatives of prison reform societies and told a "hard luck" story, giving in detail his supposed criminal career. Through this story he secured positions and in one case was appointed an usher for the New York Billy Sunday meetings.

He has served two prison sentences, one in Colorado and one in Maryland. We also have a record of his arrest at Washington, D. C., in 1911, but are unable to ascertain the disposition.

On August 25, 1917, under the alias of Sydney Dunlop, he made his first false step by trying to "kite" checks between three different members. Through the curiosity of one of the interested members who investigated Dunlop's claim concern-

ing his connection with Colgate & Co., it was learned that Dunlop was a fraud, and when an Alton, Ill., member inquired of this banker as to the standing of Dunlop he requested that he be arrested. Our St. Louis agents were notified and they identified Dunlop as Snow, who was badly wanted by members in six states. Through the endeavors of the New York Office of our detective agents, Snow, alias Dunlop, was returned to New York upon a Federal warrant charging him with using the mails to defraud the Murphy Truck Co. of Columbus, Ohio. Warrants have since been lodged with the U. S. Marshal at this point by the local civil authorities, New Jersey, Maine and Minnesota. Articles concerning his transactions have appeared in the December, 1916, and the March, 1917, issue of the JOURNAL Supplement. He is described as follows: 30 years, 5 feet 2 3/4 inches, 130 pounds, stocky built, sallow complexion, blue eyes, dark hair, graying. His bertillon measurements are: 59.2 65.0 85.1 19.6 15.2 13.2 6.5 23.7 10.5 8.2 43.0.

DIRECTORY SWINDLERS UNDER ARREST

Local authorities make important capture and raid the plant of swindlers.

Through the wide-awake methods of Captain Coughlin, connected with the Brooklyn police, we are able to report the arrest of a band of swindlers who have victimized banks and merchants for the last three or four years with apparent impunity. In their operations these impostors have used a "trick" directory, soliciting advertisements in "dead" business directories and also by securing contracts for advertisements through fraudulent means. One of their schemes was to have the victim sign a slip of paper which had every appearance of being a release from a previous contract. In due time this same victim would receive a call from a solicitor who would present this supposed release which had been altered by the operators to be a bona fide contract. By adding several words to and clipping off the top of the page, this release was easily altered into a new contract.

The operators under arrest are EMORY HARTZIG, alias Kelly, 55 years; CLIFFORD DANIELSON, 40 years; LINCOLN DANIELSON, 36 years; THOMAS YOUNG, 30 years; WILLIAM YOUNG, 33 years; EDWARD STEPHENS, 30 years and VINCENT BURTON, 39 years.

During their transactions they have used the following fictitious firm names: The Manual of American Industry; Down's Directory; United States Trade Review; Report Publishing Co.; Business Men's Directory; Merchants & Manufacturers Business Directory and others too numerous to mention. We are at present engaged in checking up their transactions and will notify the victims of their arrest. The Brooklyn case is being prosecuted by the Advertising Club of New York.

CLEVER RAISED CHECK ARTISTS IN CUSTODY

Two Hebrews who exchanged cash for personal checks of merchants so as to alter them arrested by Columbus authorities

The authorities at Columbus, Ohio, have taken into custody HARRY GROSS, alias S. Thomas, and MAX WEISBORD, alias Charley Weiss, who have been operating against members of Illinois, Michigan and Ohio, with altered checks. They

have been using the old and tried method of calling on Jewish merchants and exchanging cash for a personal check of the merchant. With this check in their possession they would either raise same to a substantial amount or would open an account in the same bank, secure a book of blank checks and proceed to forge the signature of the merchant to these checks. After operating successfully against a Chicago member they fled to Columbus where they were arrested while endeavoring to work the same scheme. Through information supplied by the Ohio Bankers Association our detective agents connected their operations with the Chicago operation. Their identification followed and after the Ohio authorities have finished with them they will be returned to Chicago for trial. Gross is 32 years, 6 feet 10 inches, 185 pounds; has brown hair, blue eyes, ruddy complexion. Weisbord is 33 years, 5 feet 5 inches, 165 pounds; has black, bushy hair, blue eyes, dark complexion. His eyes are very shifty; a mole appears on the right side of his nose and another on the left cheek bone.

YOUNG BANK ROBBERS WANTED FOR AN ARKANSAS BURGLARY CAPTURED

On Sunday night, August 19, 1917, the Bank of DeQueen, DeQueen, Ark., was entered and burglarized. Entrance was gained to the vault by breaking into a basement of a store four doors away, the foundation walls of the proceeding buildings were pierced, thereby permitting the robbers to reach a spot directly under the vault. By knocking a hole in the floor the robbers were able to enter the vault and remove the available cash. A representative of our Memphis detective agents was on the spot in very short order. After examining the work it was readily seen that the deed must have been committed by local parties. Following a short investigation, suspicion rested on three young men who were found missing on the following day. They were JOHN WARNIX, his brother, ENOCH WARNIX, and their closest friend, WM. WARNIX.

The Warnix brothers conducted a small grocery store nearby and used an automobile to make deliveries. Upon searching their home the authorities found many stolen articles. This car was used to make their escape and was found shortly afterwards in a disabled condition. To continue their flight, later events proved that they stole a Ford automobile. The sheriffs of the surrounding counties were warned to be on the watch for this car. On August 23d, Sheriff Hawkins, of Wichita Falls, Tex., arrested three men for having in their possession a stolen car. In examining the car he discovered several bags of money; some of which had the Bank of DeQueen's tag on. The men under arrest gave their names as mentioned above. The DeQueen authorities were notified and the men are being held for them. No description available at this time.

WALTER ALEXANDER, alias W. B. Alexander, who victimized a member of Leavenworth, Kan., is under arrest at that place, due to the activities of our detective agents at Kansas City. Several months ago Alexander, being well known by officials of the injured member, called upon them and experienced no difficulty in obtaining funds on his worthless check. An article concerning this operator was issued in the June, 1917, JOURNAL Supplement.

F. A. ALLISON is under arrest at Atlanta, Ga., being charged with "non-support." Allison is wanted for defrauding

a Birmingham, Ala., member by means of a worthless check. An article published in the September, 1917, JOURNAL Supplement gives the details of his methods.

HAROLD ALTEMUS and HERBERT GORDON. These two youths recently perpetrated a clever forgery on a San Francisco member. Altemus, while employed by a local merchant, stole several blank checks, and shortly afterward was discharged. Following his dismissal Altemus arranged with Gordon to call his former employer on the telephone and inform him that his brother had been badly injured in an automobile accident and was being taken to a nearby hospital. As soon as this message was given, the two operators rushed to the merchant's store, where they watched Altemus' employer leave. They then broke into the store, traced the merchant's signature to a large check, using a certain rubber stamp that he placed on all his checks. They then proceeded to the member bank and experienced no difficulty in securing the funds, as the check had every appearance of being genuine. Following the receipt of the money, both youths left for Los Angeles, where they registered at the best hotel and proceeded to enjoy themselves on their ill-gotten gains. Our San Francisco agents, after a thorough investigation, located Gordon, who confessed to the transaction and gave the evidence that brought about the arrest of Altemus, who had, for some time, been under suspicion by our agents. Altemus is 19, 5 feet 7 inches, 120 pounds; has fair complexion, blue eyes, dark hair. Gordon is 19, 5 feet 7 inches, 125 pounds, of fair complexion; has brown eyes and dark hair. The California Bankers Association are co-operating in financing this investigation.

NED ARCHER, alias A. F. Smith, alias Jack Smith. Through the efforts of our detective agents of Denver, Colo., we are able to report the arrest of Archer, who defrauded a member of Telluride, Colo., by means of a check bearing the forged signature of their depositor. He is described as 35 years, 5 feet 8 inches, 150 pounds; has sandy hair and a sandy mustache.

SECURES FUNDS ON SAME CASHIER'S CHECK ON TWO DIFFERENT OCCASIONS

A. H. BAUGHMAN. Late in July a member of Tulsa, Okla., issued their cashier's check to Baughman. Several days afterward Baughman called at the bank and received in return for this check a new cashier's check in a smaller amount and the balance in cash. In some unaccountable manner this paid check fell into the hands of a Tulsa attorney before it was cancelled. He presented same at the bank and received the full amount in cash. The matter was reported to our Kansas City detective agents, who shortly afterward located Baughman and effected his arrest with the assistance of the local authorities.

FRED BENSON, alias Edward Barclay, claiming Elgin, Ill., as his home on August 25, 1917, arrested at Wagner, S. D., charged with defrauding a local member by means of a check bearing the forged signature of one of their depositors. Following his arrest, Benson confessed to the transaction.

PERCY BLACKWELL, alias Harry Wilson, etc., whom we made mention of in the August, 1917, JOURNAL Supplement and who was the subject of a circular issued by our local detective agents, was on August 28, 1917, arrested at Newport,

Ky., under the alias of C. W. Williams, being charged with issuing worthless checks. He will be returned to West Virginia for trial when the Kentucky authorities have been satisfied.

C. BUFORD, alias Fayette M. Deeds, who late in June defrauded a Cedar Rapids, Iowa, member, has been arrested by our Kansas City detective agents. All trace of Buford was lost until a day or two before his arrest, at which time our agents noted a newspaper article concerning the wonderful deeds that Fayette M. Deeds had been performing as an aviator in the Canadian Royal Flying Corps. A short investigation was made to determine the identity of Deeds, his arrest following. The claims made by Buford, alias Deeds, are alleged to be absolutely false; however, his story had the desired effect in obtaining his release a day or two after his arrest.

W. F. BUNTIN. By raising a pay check from \$2 to \$12, Buntin defrauded a Woodward, Okla., member who paid upon the altered check. A representative of our Kansas City agents, while investigating this matter for the member, located Buntin in jail at Watongia, Okla., where he was being held on a larceny charge. Arrangements were made whereby he would be released to the Woodward sheriff, so as to stand trial on the raised-check charge. This arrangement was simplified, due to the fact that the complaining witness against Buntin was in jail for horse stealing. Buntin is 24 years, 5 feet 9 inches, 150 pounds; has blue eyes, fair complexion; his eyebrows are very heavy and meet in the center of the forehead.

AUSTIN B. CHIPPENFIELD, who has been drawing checks against the Mound City Bank, Mound City, W. Va., bearing the forged signature of their depositor, was arrested by the Pittsburgh police charged with stealing automobiles. Arrangements are being made to have him tried on the forgery charge following his hearing for the automobile theft.



OTIS W. COBB.

OTIS W. COBB. Due to operations against a New York City member, whereby he was able to secure funds on an uncollected item, Cobb is again under arrest and is being held by the local authorities awaiting trial for his activities. Articles concerning this individual have appeared in the January, June and July, 1917, issues of the JOURNAL Supplement. For Cobb's age he has had a very prominent criminal career. In 1915 he was arrested at Pittsburgh, Pa., and sentenced to serve six months for issuing worthless checks. In March, 1916, he was sentenced to two months in the Toronto Industrial School at Laugstaff, Canada. He effected his escape from this point. On August 31, 1916, he enlisted in the United States Navy, only to desert three months later. On August 25, 1917, Cobb opened

an account with a New York City member, using checks on the Union National Bank, Rochester, N. Y., and Old Colony Trust Co., Boston. Due to an error on the part of a new employee, Cobb was able to draw against his account. On September 1 his operations were reported to our local representative, who located Cobb while he was arranging to purchase an interest in a theatrical enterprise, using his ill-gotten funds to this end.

FORGER OF STOLEN PAY CHECKS APPREHENDED

W. J. COMSTOCK. For several weeks our detective agents at Detroit have been working on a case where two Michigan members suffered a loss through paying on railway pay checks which bore the forged indorsement of the payee. During this investigation it was necessary to trace out numerous leads, as it was readily determined that one of the many express messengers was responsible for the forgery. In this work the special agents of the railway companies rendered invaluable aid. Finally all leads directed suspicion upon Comstock. He was identified through the efforts of our detective agents. Following his arrest by the local authorities at Grand Rapids, Mich., he confessed to all the transactions. He is 33 years, 5 feet 11 inches, 180 pounds; has fair complexion, brown eyes, reddish brown hair.

OLD-TIME OPERATOR ARRESTED IN CALIFORNIA

C. S. COOPER, alias R. L. McKee, alias G. A. Canfield, whom we have mentioned in articles appearing in March and April, 1914, June, 1915, and September, 1917, JOURNAL Supplements, was arrested at Banning, Cal., during the latter part of August through the endeavors of the local police. Cooper, under the alias of McKee, victimized members at Glendale and Mayfield, Cal., by means of his worthless checks drawn on the State National Bank, Cordell, Okla. His usual method was to pose as a prospective buyer of real estate, and, after gaining the confidence of a local real estate agent, he would solicit his aid in securing an introduction at the bank. We have reported his previous arrests in the above-mentioned articles. The California Bankers Association co-operated with this association in financing an investigation.

J. H. DOWDELL. In the September JOURNAL Supplement we published an article relative to this swindler, setting forth the transaction by which he successfully victimized a member located at Pocatello, Idaho. On August 24, 1917, the authorities of Magna, Utah, effected the arrest of Dowdell through information supplied by our detective agents at Salt Lake City.

MRS. LYTTLETON C. EDWARDS, following her release on a suspended sentence on a New York charge, Mrs. Edwards was rearrested for the Washington, D. C., authorities, being charged with larceny by worthless checks. She is now awaiting trial.

JACK FERRIS, mentioned in our September issue of the JOURNAL Supplement, has been arrested in San Francisco, Cal., by our detective agents. The California Bankers Asso-



JACK FERRIS.

ciation co-operated in the financing of the investigation. We are reproducing Ferris' photograph.

LEE FULBRIGHT (colored). A member bank of Denver, Colo., reported to our local detective agents a loss sustained by them through the operations of a negro sneak thief. This operator walked into the bank, inserted his arm through the opening in the teller's window, extracted a bundle of currency and walked from the premises. His act was of such a bold nature that those present were too surprised to take any action. The bank officials furnished a splendid description of the operator to our agents, and through this information they were able to recognize the criminal as Lee Fulbright, who had just recently been discharged from prison for attempting a like crime. After a short investigation, Fulbright was arrested by the local authorities, through information supplied by our agents. His description is 30 years, 5 feet 10 inches, 145 pounds; light mulatto color, kinky hair.

DR. S. C. GOLDBERG. We made mention of this operator in the September JOURNAL Supplement and told how he operated. On August 23, 1917, the Philadelphia authorities arrested Goldberg, and are now holding him for the Petersburg, Va., police.

ROBERT J. GORTHY. A member bank at Pryor, Okla., reported to our Kansas City detective agents the details surrounding the transaction whereby they suffered a loss through Gorthy, who sold mortgaged property. This operator was traced to Kansas City, where his arrest was accomplished by our agents and the police. Gorthy secured a loan from the member and gave as security several head of horses. He later sold these horses, but claimed to the bank that they had died. He has been returned to Pryor for trial.

J. W. HOLTZAPPLE. Mention of this operator was made in the March, 1917, issue of the JOURNAL Supplement. Since the publication of this article Holtzapple has been located by our detective agents in a military training camp at Fort Paul Jones. The necessary steps are being taken to return Holtzapple to Missouri for trial.

CAPT. J. C. KEISER, alias John E. Long, alias W. E. Lucas, etc., was, on August 28, 1917, arrested at Atlantic City, through information supplied by the New York City authorities. Details relative to his transactions may be found in an article under the heading of "Warning" in this issue.

CAPT. J. C. KEISER. Articles appearing elsewhere in this issue describe Keiser's operations and quote his arrest and subsequent release on bond. Since Keiser forfeited his Atlantic City bond he has continued with his fraudulent transactions. Our detective agents, co-operating with the

Federal authorities, traced Keiser, under his numerous aliases, from Buffalo to Kansas City, to Memphis, Nashville, Louisville, and finally at New Orleans his arrest was effected through the endeavors of an army officer in the United States Army. Arrangements were immediately made following Keiser's arrest to have him held without bail. This was successfully accomplished and the Federal authorities who are holding him have declined to allow the several state and private individuals to secure him for prosecution, as they intend to make an example of his case.

GEORGE KELLEY. Using the fact that he was enrolled at a nearby military encampment for officers' training, Kelley opened an account with a Little Rock, Ark., member, using a check on the England National Bank, which was later returned marked "no account." Kelley timed this transaction so that "Labor Day" would lengthen the time before the fraud could be discovered. Having gained the confidence of the bank previous to opening his account, he had no difficulty in drawing against the uncollected item. On September 5, while our detective agent was en route to Little Rock to investigate the case, the local authorities located Kelley and effected his arrest. He is now awaiting trial.

ARTHUR MANVILLE. A Tacoma, Wash., member reported to our Seattle detective agents the circumstances surrounding an operation whereby they sustained a loss by paying out funds on checks bearing the forged signature of their depositor. After a short investigation by our agents, all leads pointed toward Manville. A merchant who cashed one of the forged checks was sent to the place of Manville's employment and identified him as the operator. Following the identification, the prosecuting attorney issued a warrant and requested that the operator be brought before him for examination. His arrest was accomplished by the attorney's aid, and at the present time he is awaiting further investigation. His companion, who was arrested with him, was immediately released, as he was able to show that he was not in the vicinity when the check transaction took place. Manville is 19 years, 5 feet 9 inches, 140 pounds; has brown hair and light complexion.

JAMES M. MEYERS, alias Chas. F. Wise, alias John Wise, alias Samuel Wise, etc., whom we mentioned in the August, 1916, JOURNAL Supplement, is under arrest at Grand Haven, Mich. This individual's arrest was accomplished through the efforts of the local sheriff. A photograph of this operator has been published in the September, 1917, issue of the *Detective*. Meyers has made a tour of Pennsylvania, Ohio and Michigan, issuing worthless checks drawn on various banks. These checks are always payable to J. M. Meyers. He is 60 years, 6 feet 2 inches, 225 pounds.

TOM MEYERS. While engaged by a farmer located near Duncan, Okla., Meyers forged the signature of his employer to several small checks, which were paid by a local member before the forgery was discovered. Through the efforts of a representative of our Kansas City detective agents, Meyers was

located near Anadarko, Okla., where he was a member of a threshing-machine crew. He was turned over to the authorities of Sentinel, Okla. His description is 20 years, 5 feet 11 inches, 212 pounds; has light hair and red complexion.

PETER J. MILLER. Using his ability as a sign painter, Miller made rapid strides toward becoming a national-wide worthless check operator. He would appear at a member bank, open an account in the name of a decorating company. The initial deposit would be cash; as soon as the confidence of the member was gained he would deposit a check for a substantial amount, using the paper of his last victim. By the time this check was returned Miller would be in a new field preparing his next operation. A Chicago member was defrauded by Miller in 1915; he was apprehended in Canada for a similar offense, and after completing a sentence there, has been returned to Chicago, where he is now awaiting trial. A photo of this operator appears in the September, 1915, JOURNAL Supplement.

R. A. MINOR, true name **W. J. Coates**, and **LILLIAN KERDELL** are under arrest at Jacksonville, Fla., charged with grand larceny and forgery. A member bank at this point received and paid on a check bearing the forged signature of their depositor. Following this, the two-mentioned operators were arrested for stealing checks from offices and then forging the signatures of the owners. Our Jacksonville representative, after hearing the facts concerning the defrauding of the local members, decided to question the operators under arrest. This was the proper step, as a complete confession was secured, each person placing the blame on the other, acknowledging that they were aware of the facts.

Fritz Morris and **ANNIE KZYONOWSKY.** On August 31, 1917, a member bank at Roslyn, N. Y., reported a loss through the operations of the above-mentioned pair. On the same day a representative of our local detective agents, aided by a bank official, located the operators in New York City and turned them over to the Roslyn authorities. This member held a savings account in the name of Morris' wife. Morris on the day previous to his arrest called at the bank in company with Annie Kzyonowsky, who posed as Mrs. Morris, and together they withdrew the entire amount on deposit. Morris is 49 years, 5 feet 5 inches, 155 pounds, gray eyes, black hair, sallow complexion and pocked-marked nose; born in Austria. Annie Kzyonowsky is 37 years, 4 feet 10 inches, 135 pounds, blue eyes, brown hair; also an Austrian.

JOSEPH O'DONNELL. Following the passing of several checks purporting to have been issued by the Great Western Sales Company, O'Donnell, who was an employee of the concern, disappeared. A San Francisco member paid on these checks before the forgery was discovered, and therefore became the victim of the operator. Our San Francisco detective agents, after a short investigation, on August 25 located O'Donnell and, aided by the local police, effected his arrest. The California Bankers Association co-operated with this department in financing the investigation.

MRS. N. H. SCHIMMEL, charged with victimizing a St. Louis member, has been arrested by the local authorities through information supplied by our local detective agents. The Schimmels have been having domestic troubles and Mrs. Schimmel's arrest is an aftermath of the difficulties, as she continued writing checks against her former husband's account, which had been repudiated by him.

H. S. SEYMOUR. In an article appearing in the September, 1917, issue of the JOURNAL Supplement will be found the details concerning the operations of this criminal. On

August 28, through information supplied by our St. Louis and Chicago detective agents, Seymour was located in the army encampment at Sparta, Wis., and was turned over to the military authorities, who in turn permitted the Chicago civil authorities to return him to Chicago for trial.

BRYAN TURLEY, alias John Graham. Through information supplied to the Tulsa, Okla., authorities by our Oklahoma City representative, Turley was arrested for forging the signature of a customer of a Tulsa member. Our agent also located Elmer Fields, who cashed the check and shared the proceeds with Turley, but due to the fact that he furnished information that will convict Turley, his arrest did not follow. The operator is described as 19 years, 5 feet 7 inches, 140 pounds; has dark eyes, hair and complexion. Is an Indian.

AUGUST WALTERS. Following Walters' escape from the military authorities, he proceeded to Belvedere, Ill., where on August 31 his arrest was affected by the local authorities.

REMOVED

HAROLD ALTEMUS, when called for trial, was placed on probation and instructed to enlist in the navy before a certain date.

JOHN E. ARCHER. On July 18, 1917, Archer plead guilty and was sentenced to be confined in the Huntingdon Reform School, Huntingdon, Pa., until he reaches his twenty-first birthday.

C. BUFORD. Owing to the fact that Buford claimed that he had rendered valuable service to the Canadian Aviation Corps the prosecuting attorney was inclined toward leniency; he therefore released Buford upon his promise to make complete restitution.

JESS CARR plead guilty on a charge of burglarizing a member bank at Lilly, Pa., and was sentenced to not less than 18 years nor more than 20 years in the Western Penitentiary, Pittsburgh, Pa. He was also sentenced to pay a fine of \$1,000.

DONALD CHALMERS. On September 8, 1917, Chalmers was sentenced to a term of 8 years in the West Virginia State Penitentiary, Moundsville, for forgery and was also sentenced to another 4 years for aiding and abetting in jail breaking. The second sentence to follow at the expiration of the first.

LEO COYLE plead guilty on a charge of burglarizing a Lilly, Pa., member and was sentenced to pay a fine of \$1,000, besides receiving a sentence of not less than 8 years nor more than 10 years in the Western Penitentiary, Pittsburgh, Pa.

SHERMAN DONOVAN, alias Sherman Wise, plead guilty to forgery and on August 30, 1917, was sentenced to remain in the Pennsylvania Industrial School, Huntingdon, Pa., until he reached the age of 21 years. This will mean that Donovan will have served 3 years and 2 months before he secures his release.

J. H. DOWDELL. Following the refusal of the Governor of Utah to sign extradition papers so that Dowdell could be returned to Pocatello, Idaho, for prosecution, he was released.

MRS. LYTLETON C. EDWARDS on July 24, 1917, entered a plea of guilty and was given a suspended sentence.

JULIE FERRY, following his trial for being implicated in the burglary of a Lilly, Pa., member, was convicted, sentenced to pay a fine of \$1,000, and to serve a term of not less

than 18 years nor more than 20 years in the Western Penitentiary, Pittsburgh, Pa. Through error we have been carrying this man under the name of Perry.

JOHN FREESE. Following Freese's arrest in New Jersey, he was returned to Chicago for trial. At the suggestion of the Prosecuting Attorney he was placed on parole and instructed to make restitution.

PAT GARRICK (true name Pat Carrigan) plead guilty to burglarizing a Lilly, Pa., member and was fined \$1,000, besides receiving a sentence of not less than 10 years nor more than 12 years in the Western Penitentiary, Pittsburgh, Pa.

HERBERT GORDON, who was arrested in connection with a forgery committed against a San Francisco member, was called before the court and owing to a good record was placed on parole providing he joined the navy.

J. W. GRANT has been sentenced to serve 1 year in the Western Penitentiary, Pittsburgh, Pa.

CAPT. J. C. KEISER, with many aliases, following his arrest at Atlantic City for the New York police, secured his release of bail and is now classed as a fugitive from justice, having failed to appear for his hearing.

ROY KWIATKOSKY, alias Roy Flowers, was sentenced to a term of 6 months in the Western Penitentiary, Pittsburgh, Pa.

GEO. W. LEE, alias Jack Leonard, alias Robert Carson, etc., was on August 29, 1917, sentenced to a term of 5 to 10 years at Sing Sing Prison, Ossining, N. Y.

E. P. MEYERS, charged with forgery, was tried by court-martial and was sentenced to serve 1 year at hard labor in the Federal Prison, Fort Leavenworth, Kan., to forfeit all pay and allowances due and to become due, also to be dishonorably discharged from the army at expiration of his sentence.

TOM MEYERS. Due to the age and previous good record of this individual the prosecuting attorney instructed Meyers' parents to make complete restitution, and upon being informed that same would be complied with, ordered his release.

WM. F. MULLIGAN was tried by court martial for forgery. Was sentenced to 1 year hard labor at the Federal Prison, Fort Leavenworth, Kan.; further to forfeit all pay and allowances, due or to become due, and at the expiration of his sentence to be dishonorably discharged from the army.

ED. PARKER. At the instructions of the prosecuting attorney the charges of grand larceny against Parker was reduced to petty larceny and he was sentenced to serve 60 days in jail at Colville, Wash.

MRS. N. H. SCHIMMEL. When called for trial the prosecution endeavored to use her husband to testify against Mrs. Schimmel. Her attorney objected. The judge sustained this objection and without further hearing dismissed the charge.

H. S. SEYMOUR. The court, after taking the case under consideration, released Seymour after instructing him to make complete restitution. It was further ascertained that this individual would be dishonorably discharged from the army for his acts as he plead guilty to issuing worthless checks.

JACK SHINDLER plead guilty to forgery but owing to the condition of his wife the court paroled him. He has since broken his parole by failing to report.

WM. SOCWELL was, on September 18, 1917, sentenced to serve 90 days on the chain gang at Jacksonville, Fla.

AUGUST WALTERS. Following Walters' arrest through information supplied by our Chicago detective agents he was turned over to the military authorities for court martial. On the afternoon of August 16th, Walters eluded his guard and is now a fugitive from justice.

AWAITING ACTION

ALLEGED FORGERIES AND SWINDLES

Alexander, Walter, worthless checks, Leavenworth, Kan.
 Allison, F. A., worthless checks, Birmingham, Ala.
 Archer, Ned, forgery, Telluride, Colo.
 Bachrack, Morris, forgery, Wilkes-Barre, Pa.
 Bacon, Floyd C., forgery, Conneaut, Ohio.
 Baughman, A. H., swindle, Tulsa, Okla.
 Benson, Fred, forgery, Elgin, Ill.
 Blackwell, Percy, worthless checks, Beckley, W. Va.
 Bland, W. F., bogus certificate of deposit, Yale, Okla.
 Blankman, David, forgeries, Boston, Mass.
 Boxley, P. H., bogus certificate of deposit, Hugo, Okla.
 Brady, S. A., forgery, Salt Lake City, Utah.
 Brock, J. A., forgery, Antlers, Okla.
 Broder, Otto F., forgery, Detroit, Mich.
 Buckles, Charles, forgery, Caruthersville, Mo.
 Bunch Essie, forgery, Memphis, Tenn.
 Bundy, H. C., forgery, San Francisco, Cal.
 Buntin, W. F., raised check, Woodward, Okla.
 Burton, Vincent, directory swindle, Brooklyn, N. Y.
 Campbell, George, forgery, Beckley, W. Va.
 Carter, Dave, forgery, Houston, Tex.
 Casey, R. C., forgery, Portland, Ore.
 Chippenfield, Austin B., forgery, Mound City, W. Va.
 Chisholm, Frank, forgery, New York, N. Y.
 Churchill, Roy, forgery, Amarillo, Tex.
 Cobb, Otis W., bogus checks, New York, N. Y.
 Cogswell, A. J., forgery, New York, N. Y.
 Cohn, E. A., forged notes, Kansas City, Mo.
 Colwell, H. H., forgery, Plainview, Tex.
 Comstock, W. J., forged indorsement, Detroit, Mich.
 Cooper, C. S., worthless checks, Los Angeles, Cal.
 Craun, James R., forgery, Tulsa, Okla.
 Dalton, Dewey, forgery, Harrison, Ark.
 Danielson, Clifford, directory swindle, Brooklyn, N. Y.
 Danielson, Lincoln, directory swindle, Brooklyn, N. Y.
 Dugger, W. L., mortgage swindle, Hillsboro, Tex.
 Edwards, Lyttleton C., forgery, Washington, D. C.
 Edwards, Mrs. L. C., forgery, New York, N. Y.
 Eichler, Henry, forgery, Utica, N. Y.
 Evans, H. R., bogus certificate of deposit, Ada, Okla.
 Faith, James, forgery, Corona, N. M.
 Ferris, Jack, forgery, San Francisco, Cal.
 Friese, Harold, worthless check, Bridgeport, Conn.
 Frosell, C. Gustave, bogus check, Chicago, Ill.
 Garnett, Chas. H., bogus certificate of deposit, Ada, Okla.
 Goble, V. R., forged notes, Concordia, Mo.
 Goettel, Sam, worthless checks, Waterloo, Iowa.
 Goldberg, Dr. S. C., forgery, Petersburg, Va.
 Gore, Robert, forgery, Madison, W. Va.
 Gorthy, Robert J., mortgage swindle, Pryor, Okla.
 Gross, Harry, raised checks, Columbus, Ohio.
 Hartzig, Emory, directory swindle, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Hayden, William, forgery, Portland, Ore.
 Henry, J. C., worthless checks, Moberly, Mo.
 Hix, J. S., bogus certificate of deposit, Ada, Okla.
 Hodge, Allie, raised check, Birmingham, Mich.
 Hollen, E. N., forgery, Clay, W. Va.
 Holtzapple, J. W., forgery, Overland Park, Kan.
 Howard, Felix, forgery, Houston, Tex.
 Huddleston, J. W., forgery, Duncan, Okla.
 Hunt, James S., forgery, Detroit, Mich.
 Ivanov, Mike, forgery, Cedar Rapids, Iowa.
 Jones, Edward E., forgery, El Paso, Tex.
 Jones, J. Greeley, bogus certificates of deposit, Ada, Okla.
 Keiser, Capt. J. C., worthless checks, New Orleans, La.
 Kelley, George, worthless check, Little Rock, Ark.
 Kerdell, Lillian, forgery, Jacksonville, Fla.
 Kerr, George, forgery, Harrison, Ark.
 Klein, George, forgery, St. Joseph, Mo.
 Kocker, Emil, forgery, Jersey City, N. J.
 Kzyonowsky, Annie, forgery, Roslyn, N. Y.
 Larson, E. D., forgery, Bountiful, Utah.
 Lawless, George W., bogus checks, Detroit, Mich.
 Locke, H. A., bogus certified check, Savannah, Ga.
 Lowery, Ray B., forgery, Ada, Okla.
 Mack, J. W., bogus certificate of deposit, Hugo, Okla.
 Markowitz, Elias, forgery, New York, N. Y.
 Manville, Arthur, forgery, Tacoma, Wash.
 Martin, Herbert, forgery, Franklin, La.
 Martin, June, forgery, Franklin, La.
 Massey, W. B., forgery, Blytheville, Ark.
 Matthews, J. D., bogus certificate of deposit, Cushing, Okla.
 McArdle, T. J., worthless checks, Portland, Ore.
 McCarthy, Elmore, forgery, Houston, Tex.
 McClanahan, J. A., forged notes, Concordia, Mo.
 McVey, J. F., forgery, Little Rock, Ark.
 Meyers, James M., worthless checks, Bay City, Mich.
 Miller, Peter J., worthless checks, Chicago, Ill.
 Milligan, J. A., forgery, Dallas, Tex.
 Minor, R. A., forgery, Jacksonville, Fla.
 Montgomery, Forest, forgery, Clarinda, Iowa.
 Moore, Lester, forgery, Birmingham, Ala.
 Morris, Fritz, forgery, Roslyn, N. Y.
 Nedham, Ray, worthless check, Humboldt.
 Nix, Wyatt L., bogus certificate of deposit, Hugo, Okla.
 O'Donnell, Joseph, worthless checks, San Francisco, Cal.
 Patton, Thomas W., worthless draft, Springfield, Ill.
 Peterson, Lawrence, forgery, St. Louis, Mo.
 Poche, Joseph L., worthless check, Center City, Minn.
 Poellet, Jr., C. T., worthless check, Buffalo, N. Y.
 Rembert, Julius, forgery, Houston, Tex.
 Robinette, I. T., Mt. Hope, W. Va.
 Roll, D. M., forgery, Evansville, Ind.
 Rollison, C. A., raised check, Waycross, Ga.
 Runnells, York, forgery, Houston, Tex.
 Salisbury, Geo. R., bogus checks, Birmingham, Ala.
 Schaeffer, Fred, forgery, Toledo, Ohio.
 Schulthess, Heber B., forgery, Salt Lake City, Utah.
 Scott, Walter A., forgery, Pasco, Wash.
 Sheldon, James E., mortgage swindle, Leesburg, Fla.
 Shipman, Horace M., bogus draft, Oklahoma City, Okla.
 Snow, F. I., worthless checks, New York, N. Y.
 Stephens, Edward, directory swindle, Brooklyn, N. Y.
 Sullivan, Twain, swindle, Chester, Mont.
 Thompson, H. O., forgery, Chicago, Ill.
 Tisor, Carl R., accomplice of swindler, Forsyth, Mont.

Turley, Bryan, forgery, Tulsa, Okla.
 Van Leuven, Bert, worthless check, Salina, Kan.
 Von Voorst, Fred, forgery, Indianapolis, Ind.
 Wachter, Philip, forgery, Scranton, Pa.
 Walters, August, forgery, Onida, S. D.
 Warner, Lon, mortgage swindle, Higgins, Tex.
 Watkins, Jack, forgery, Houston, Tex.
 Weil, M. L., worthless draft, Elko, Nev.
 Weir, Robert J., forgery, Alameda, Cal.
 Weisbord, Max, raised checks, Columbus, Ohio.
 Wetmore, Claude H., forgery, St. Louis, Mo.
 Willis, G. S., bogus check, Brooksville, Fla.
 Wisdom, G. C., bogus certificate of deposit, Cushing, Okla.
 Woods, Mingo, forgery, Houston, Tex.
 Young, Thomas, directory swindle, Brooklyn, N. Y.
 Young, William, directory swindle, Brooklyn, N. Y.

BURGLARS AND HOLD-UP ROBBERS

Alderman, Hugh, hold-up, Homestead, Fla.
 Bear, A., suspected hold-up, Hugo, Okla.
 Bergens, J. W., robbery and murder, Point, Tex.
 Burton, Jack, attempted robbery, Lorain, Ohio.
 Carden, Julius, hold-up, Heavener, Okla.
 Carsen, Grady, hold-up, Heavener, Okla.
 Carter, Charlie, alleged bank robber, Point, Tex.
 Clair, Henry, hold-up, Tuskahoma, Okla.
 Fortimer, Howard, contemplated robbery, Windsor, Ill.
 Fotaff, Thomas, attempted robbery, Lorain, Ohio.
 Fulbright, Lee, sneak theft, Denver, Colo.
 Gibson, Frank, hold-up, Union, Okla.
 Hester, Wm., burglary, DeQueen, Ark.
 Jarvis, M. M., hold-up, Union, Okla.
 Jenkins, H. P., robbery, El Paso, Ark.
 Lemons, Doc, robbery, El Paso, Ark.
 Littrell, Jess, hold-up, Harrah, Okla.
 McKinney, Calvin, robbery, Crowder, Okla.
 Marvin, Harold, robbery, Oronogo, Mo.
 Quattlebaum, Arthur, robbery, El Paso, Ark.
 Quattlebaum, John, robbery, El Paso, Ark.
 Quattlebaum, Sid, robbery, El Paso, Ark.
 Rankin, Iola, suspected hold-up, Hugo, Okla.
 Smith, Frank, hold-up, Heavener, Okla.
 Stone, Jim, robbery, El Paso, Ark.
 Warnix, John, burglary, DeQueen, Ark.
 Warnix, Enoch, burglary, DeQueen, Ark.
 Winfield, C. P., suspected hold-up, Hugo, Okla.

STATISTICS OF THE PROTECTIVE DEPARTMENT

| | Awaiting trial August 31, 1917 | Arrests in Sept., 1917 | Convicted | Discharged or acquitted | Fugitive, escaped, insane or dead | Awaiting trial |
|----------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------|-----------|----------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------|
| Forgers..... | 108 | 46 | 15 | 5 | 2 | 132 |
| Burglars..... | 4 | 3 | 4 | .. | .. | 3 |
| Hold-up robbers..... | 24 | .. | .. | .. | .. | 24 |
| Sneak Thieves..... | .. | 1 | .. | .. | .. | 1 |
| Total..... | 136 | 50 | 19 | 5 | 2 | 160 |

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RULES OF THE PROTECTIVE COMMITTEE

1. Upon receipt of notification by the General Secretary, Five Nassau Street, New York City, or the nearest office or correspondent of the William J. Burns International Detective Agency, Inc., of an attempted or successful perpetration of fraud or crime upon a member of this Association in its banking rooms, or in the rooms of such branches as are members, either by forgery, check-raising, worthless or bogus checks, swindle, sneak theft, robbery, hold-up or burglary therein, the committee will at once use its best efforts to apprehend the criminal. No action, however, will be taken unless immediate notice is given, and a case once committed to the Association cannot be taken out of its hands nor the offense condoned or compromised. If for any reason whatsoever no prosecution takes place when the member is in a legal position to aid in the prosecution, and fails to do so, such member shall reimburse the Association for all expenses incurred in connection with the case reported.

2. In reporting cases the member agrees to swear out a warrant for the criminal concerned when his identity has been determined: or a John Doe warrant at once in states where permitted. The committee relentlessly pursues both amateur and professional criminals in cases of attempted or successful fraud or crime upon members of the Association, but cannot take cognizance of such offenses where perpetrated upon others than members, or of so-called "inside jobs" where the offender is an officer or employee of a member. The committee relies upon the state, county or local authorities to arrange for the extradition and the payment of expense incident to the return of a prisoner. The committee will not pay witness fees, and will not be responsible for any expense incurred for protective work which has not been previously authorized.

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OCTOBER PROTECTIVE WORK

WARNING

INTRODUCING DR. BECKER

A swindler calling himself Dr. Conrad C. Becker is finding numerous victims

At the present time there is a swindler operating in the east who styles himself as Dr. Conrad C. Becker and is victimizing member banks with his bogus drafts purporting to be issued by the Churchill Drug Company of Lima, Ohio.

Some phases of his operations are very similar to the operator who works with the notorious "blonde" woman forger. In some manner he has secured a list of stockholders in several defunct insurance companies and is communicating with these individuals offering to dispose of their worthless stock at a very reasonable price. The stockholders seeing a chance to save something out of the "wreck" readily reply to Becker's letters. This is what he is seeking as he then has in his possession the signature of a citizen of the town in which he expects to operate. He proceeds to this city and arranges with the member bank to accommodate him in advancing funds on his bogus draft on which the members suppose they are protected by a prominent citizen's indorsement. The fraud is not discovered until the draft is returned and a demand made upon the citizen, whereupon they learn that the citizen's signature is a forgery. In each case the drafts are payable to Becker but when he communicates with the stockholder he uses the name of George E. Hoffer. He is described as 45 years, 5 feet 11 inches, 175 pounds; has dark hair, dark complexion. Walks very erect, has a German accent, but speaks English fluently.

Geo. E. Hoffer

Dr. Conrad C. Becker

BEWARE OF THE HEALTH RESORT SWINDLER

Is there a sanatorium in your vicinity? If so, watch for this clever operator

GEORGE C. CAMERON, alias Herbert Hart, alias George H. Watson. The various members who are located in the vicinity of sanatoriums should pay special attention to this article. This operator has been very successful in the past in defrauding members by means of kiting checks. His three operations have been transacted in cities where sanatoriums are located. He is subject to severe stomach trouble which neces-

sitates his spending certain periods in a physician's care. His mode of operation is to make an initial deposit of cash, approximately \$600; he then gains the confidence of the bank officials by depositing cashiers' checks and other checks on out-of-town banks, which are always honored. Choosing his time, he finally deposits a check drawn on some distant bank, payable to himself, in some large amount, and as he has gained the confidence of the member, he is allowed to check against this amount before the bank has received returns on the deposited item. This operator is becoming a rather dangerous swindler, and we are very desirous of causing his apprehension. Banks in the localities mentioned will kindly note and be on the alert. This operator is 38 years, 5 feet 10 inches, 140 pounds, of slim build, has fair complexion, gray eyes, brown hair. A previous article with his photograph reproduced above same was published in the April, 1917, JOURNAL Supplement.



CHAS. W. HILLIARD

CHARLES W. HILLIARD, alias Franklin S. Perry, etc. This operator is a very dangerous man and all members should pay particular attention to this article. On September 24, 1917, our Portland detective agents learned that a man giving his name as C. J. Meeker had placed a large order with a local printer for blank checks to bear the firm name of the Chicago Railway Equipment Co., and also the Western Railway Equipment Co., citing a Chicago member as the depository. Our agents placed this individual under surveillance pending an investigation. On the following day having ascertained that Meeker did not have the authority to have checks printed he was arrested through our agents information. After holding Meeker several days it was necessary to release him as our agents were unable to locate any previous operations whereby a complaint could be lodged against him. Following his release he left the vicinity and it has since developed that his true name is Arthur Quinn that he has operated under the names of Charles J. Meeker, James G. Manning, James G. Morrison, C. J. and Chas. J. Moorhouse, H. C. and H. G. Hinton, H. L. Evanston and J. C. Morrell. At the present time he is wanted by the Chicago authorities for swindling two different firms by securing funds on checks that were worthless and stolen. He is now

operating against merchants and hotels with a check purporting to be issued by the Railway Steel Spring Co., Chicago, with the Northern Trust Co., as depository. His description and bertillon measurement is 36 years of age, 5 feet 5 inches, 135 pounds; has medium complexion, brown hair graying, yellowish eyes. Is a stenographer and salesman by occupation. 62.5 66.0 86.7 18.4 15.7 14.1 6.5 25.2 10.8 8.5 42.5. Finger print classification: 17/13 /R OI/FO.

WOMAN SWINDLER

A woman swindler claiming relationship to prominent men finds many victims

Have you received a caller who claims to be a sister of a prominent banker or physician of your acquaintance? If you have, then you have also accommodated her by cashing her check, and, therefore, can be listed as one of her victims.

At this time there is a woman operator who is continually moving from place to place operating under the aliases of Marie B. Dever, Marie Leaver, Marie Huhn, Anna Huhn, and Anna Reynolds. She will call upon her intended victim, claiming the relationship mentioned above, and will tell a sad story concerning the elopement of her favorite brother with an actress. She will state that she is endeavoring to find her brother and cause him to return home. Following her story she always declares she is short of funds, and requests to have her check, drawn on a distant bank, honored. She has operated in Chicago, Ill., Richmond, Va., Battle Creek, Mich., Norfolk, Va., and New York City. She has been described as 35 to 40 years, 5 feet 5½ inches, 140 pounds, medium stout; has somewhat florid complexion, dark hair, and round or full face; dresses very plain but neat.

SETH ARMSTRONG has defrauded several member banks located in Seattle, besides listing numerous merchants as his victims. While in the employ of The Traffic Publishing Co., as a collector, he forged the company's indorsements to checks collected and appropriated the funds. He is 29 years, 6 feet, 225 pounds, stout build; has fair complexion, brown hair and blue eyes.

MAY BENNETT, alias M. A. Bennett recently defrauded member banks in Kansas City by means of bogus checks drawn on the Commonwealth National Bank, Kansas City, Mo. This woman opens up accounts in various banks by making the initial deposit in cash and after gaining the confidence of the banks, deposits worthless checks and draws against them. She also uses the aliases of Annie Hearn and I. D. Martin. She is 30 to 35 years, 5 feet 4 inches, 120 pounds; has dark brown hair, watery eyes, well dressed.

M. A. Bennett

H. T. BOOTH, a bond salesman for a Seattle firm has put to loss a member bank at Okanagon, Wash., by securing funds on a draft drawn against his firm. This draft was returned unhonored. The bank describes Booth as 40 years, 5 feet 8 inches, 160 pounds; has black hair and wears nose glasses.

Honorable H. T. Booth

CLARENCE COLE, alias Thomas E. Smith, alias B. C. Dunlap. A check drawn on the First National Bank, McKinney, Texas, has been returned to a McAlester, Okla., member as worthless. Since the return of the check this member has been returning checks drawn on their bank to various banks in Oklahoma. Cole is 20 to 22 years, 5 feet 6 to 7 inches, 130 pounds, blonde hair.

H. O. COOPER, alias C. H. Hoover, alias J. Orth Lansing. This individual has been operating in the east and middle western states with a bogus draft purporting to have been issued by the Italian-American and the Bank of Italy, San Francisco, Cal. Our detective agents have issued a circular to several prominent hotels in each of the large cities of the United States. Two New York banks, the depositories, paid the drafts before the fraud was discovered thereby suffering a loss. Cooper, alias Hoover is 50 years old, 5 feet 6 inches, 180 pounds; has florid complexion, grayish hair, stubby gray mustache; wears glasses. He claims to be connected with the Union Iron Works, San Francisco, Cal.

H. O. Cooper

J. C. CULVER, alias J. L. Davis, alias N. C. Davis. Our attention has been called to the operations of this individual who is swindling merchants with a check purporting to be issued by James B. Clow & Son, Plumbing Supplies. The check is on the paper of the West Side Trust & Savings Bank, Chicago. This bank does not carry the Clow account. So far Culver has operated only in Wisconsin.

*J. C. Culver
Thirty Eight*

AL HAYES. By mortgaging two automobiles not belonging to him, Hayes was able to secure a loan from an Oklahoma City member. At the time the loan was negotiated Hayes was in the automobile business. Our Kansas City detective agents are now endeavoring to trace Hayes movements, following his disappearance. He is 25 years of age, 5 feet 7 inches, 145 pounds; has dark brown hair.

ANNA HENDRICKS, alias Mary L. Johnstone has defrauded a Grand Forks, N. D., member by forging the signature of her employer to several checks which were paid by this member. While engaged as a servant this woman had access to her employer's accounts and provided herself with blank checks. She is 40 years, 125 pounds; has fair complexion; one finger on left hand missing.



DR. OTTO KRAMER

DR. OTTO KRAMER, alias Rudolph Singer, etc. We have just received information to the effect that this operator has again taken up his swindling transactions. In articles appearing in the February, March and May, 1916 JOURNAL Supplements, we gave the details relative to Kramer's mode of operation. Since the publication of the articles, Kramer has been arrested for issuing bogus checks and has served his sentence. He has a very dangerous mode of procedure. He usually gains the confidence of a prominent Catholic priest and through him secures an introduction at a bank. The priest in most cases protects the bank by indorsing the worthless check that Kramer wishes cashed. He is well educated and very well versed in the Catholic religion. He is 37 years, 5 feet 4¼ inches, 126 pounds; has dark chestnut hair, blue eyes.

DAN LILLIE. In the January, 1917, issue of the JOURNAL Supplement we made mention of Lillie and gave the details surrounding his transactions in which he defrauded a Mitchell, S. D., member. Since the publication of this article, Lillie has operated in a similar manner against a Fort Pierre, S. D., member. Our Minneapolis agents are now tracing his movements.

JOHN MARTIN, alias Charles J. Heller, alias John Ulber, is operating with forged and bogus checks purporting to have been issued by a depositor of a Chicago member, who sustained a loss by honoring several of the checks received through the clearings. Our Chicago agents are endeavoring to effect this operator's arrest. His description is 45 years, 5 feet 8 inches, 180 pounds; has dark complexion, brown eyes and hair. Salesman. At times he is accompanied by a woman who aids him in his operations.

LIEUT. ADRIAN M. MAYER. Representing himself as an army officer stationed at Camp Funston, this imposter successfully operated against a Kansas City, Mo., member, who sustained a loss, by paying on his check drawn against the First National Bank, Manhattan, Kans. Mayer is described as 23 to 28 years, 5 feet 7 inches, 140 pounds; has ruddy complexion; dark hair, a large hook nose and face covered with pimples.

Lieut Adrian M. Mayer

J. C. MURRAY. A Spokane, Wash., member has reported a loss due to paying two checks bearing the forged signature of their depositor. Murray, the operator, and his wife were employed as servants with this gentleman and while thus engaged stole several blank checks. He is described as 38 years, 5 feet 9 inches, 175 pounds, stocky build; has dark brown hair, graying about his temples, dark eyes, broken nose.



EDWARD RAYNOR

EDWARD RAYNOR, alias Milton Sherman, etc. By referring to the September, 1917, JOURNAL Supplement, page 36, an article concerning Raynor and his mode of operations will be found. Our agents are now endeavoring to trace Raynor's movements. He was last heard from at Denver, Colo.



IRWIN ROSS (JAMES ROSS)

JAMES ROSS. This operator while in the employ of a Kansas City, Mo., firm stole a blank check and forged the signature of his employer to same. He then presented it to a local member who paid it, thereby suffering a small loss. At this time our local detective agents are endeavoring to effect the arrest of Ross who has a criminal record. In 1906, arrested for grand larceny and sentenced to eight months in the county jail at Kansas City; 1907, arrested and fined in the Kansas City courts for shooting at his brother; May, 1908, arrested and charged with assault, fined; 1909, charged with forgery, released as complainant refused to prosecute; 1914, suspected of forgery held for investigation, and on October 27, 1914, was sentenced to two years in the States Prison, Jefferson City, Mo.; November 2, 1914, was paroled. His description is 32 years of age, 5 feet 8¼ inches, 153 pounds, slender build, has medium chestnut hair, light gray blue eyes, dark complexion. Bertillon 73.0 80.0 93.0 18.8 14.5 12.4 6.2 26.2 11.7 9.5 48.0.



KARL SIEGE

KARL SIEGE, alias C. Sieg, alias Joe Sneed. The Oregon Bankers Association is co-operating with this Association in financing an investigation in which we are endeavoring to locate Siege who victimized a Portland, Ore., member by means of a forged check. Siege is 25 years of age, 5 feet 10¼ inches, 149 pounds; has dark blonde hair and slate blue eyes. Electrician by occupation. His bertillon and finger print classifications are: 78.4 84.0 92.2 19.5 14.8 + 13.4 6.5 27.1 12.0 9.3 49.3; I/I UA/RA II/II =3.

MRS. J. T. SIMMONS. This individual gained the confidence of a Richmond, Ind., member, through an introduction by two customers. The member bank cashed a check for Mrs. Simmons, which was returned as worthless. No description available at this time.

WALLACE R. STRUBLE presented to a Spokane, Wash., member, a check drawn on the Scandinavian-American Bank, Astoria, Ore., payable to himself. As Struble was known at the bank he was readily accommodated. The check was returned as worthless, thereby causing the bank to sustain a loss.

JAMES THOMAS, Italian. While in the employ of a Denver firm this individual stole several blank checks and, after forging his employer's signature to them, he passed several on local merchants. A local member receiving these checks through the clearings paid them before the fraud was discovered. Thomas is 60 years of age, 180 pounds; has dark complexion, and a gray mustache.

J. LEROY TOPE. Representing himself to be an "Efficiency Expert" Tope has lectured to numerous Chambers of Commerce throughout the middle west. While visiting Joliet, Ill., he called upon a local member and secured funds on a check drawn on the Cleveland Trust Co., which was returned shortly afterwards as worthless. The members should watch for this individual and advise us of any information they might have.

ANOTHER BOGUS CREDIT LETTER IN CIRCULATION

L. REESE WELLS is operating in the mid-western states with a credit letter purporting to be issued by the Oklahoma Automobile Manufacturing Co., Muskogee, Okla. This letter authorizes any bank or banker to accept Wells' drafts for any sum up to \$6,000, the depository being the Guaranty State Bank, Muskogee. A Kansas City, Mo., member received a call from Wells and was victimized by his letter.



INFORMATION DESIRED

E. LINN WILSON. Information as to the whereabouts of Wilson is desired by J. W. Browning, state's attorney, Galconda, Ill. This party was formerly an agent for the International Life Insurance Company of St. Louis, Mo. While Wilson was representing this company, his territory was in the vicinity of Galconda, his last known headquarters being at Mt. Vernon, Ill. He is described as 6 feet, 240 pounds, smooth face, ruddy complexion; continually chewing tobacco.

ROY A. WILLIAMS, alias Harry A. Holmberg. This operator is issuing bogus checks drawn against the City Bank & Trust Co., Denver, Colo. He has operated solely against merchants. One of his victims describes him as 21 years, 5 feet 8 inches, 145 pounds; blue eyes, light hair, flat, thick nose; apparently Swedish by nationality.




J. G. YOUNG

J. G. YOUNG, formerly of Pennsboro, W. Va., caused a local member to sustain a loss, by securing funds on a check which has been returned as worthless. For five or six years previous to Young's operation, he made Pennsboro his home and was supposed to be well off and a fairly successful business man. At one time he was secretary of a local firm and in this connection had special checks printed for his personal account, showing his name on one end. Due to the fact that Young was well known in the neighborhood he did not experience any difficulty in securing funds on his worthless checks from numerous merchants and individuals. He is 30 to 35 years of age, 5 feet 5 inches, 120 pounds; has fair complexion, dark wavy hair, large blue eyes; wears cameo pin.

G. M. McDONALD. Height 5 feet 11 inches, age about 36, stocky build, large brown eyes, good personality, and would be classed a handsome man. Rewards aggregating \$600 are offered for his return to Wyoming. Notify Harry B. Henderson, Secretary Wyoming Bankers Association, or nearest office of the Wm. J. Burns Agency.

Some time ago McDonald went to Wyoming, organized several state banks and endeavored to organize several more. In three places the State Examiner refused to issue charters. Thereupon McDonald interested several local people in the different communities and opened private banks which were not forbidden by law. Such banks were established in the villages of Glendo, Dwyer and Chugwater. About two weeks after these private banks were opened their drafts began to be protested. A state bank organized by McDonald at Kaycee was used by these private banks for clearing purposes, and on the stockholders of that institution the state bank examiner reports an assessment of 90 per cent. When the examiner investigated the private banks, he found them scuttled and McDonald gone. If assessments against the stockholders of the state banks established by McDonald at Casper and Moorecroft have been made, it has not yet been announced, but it is estimated that in six months the Wyoming people were defrauded of \$30,000. Hence the offers of rewards for McDonald's apprehension.

LOST OR STOLEN

Time certificate of deposit No. 92, issued by the Harris Banking Co., of Harris, Mo., October 23, 1917, in favor of W. H. Odneal for fifteen hundred dollars. Loss discovered on the train at Cheyenne, Wyo.

LOST LIBERTY LOAN INTERIM CERTIFICATES

A member bank of Melrose, Mass., has reported to our local detective agents the theft of the following described fully paid First Liberty Loan interim certificates:

- 9 \$100 interim certificates dated July 14, 1917, numbers 396,633 to 396,641, inclusive
- 5 \$100 interim certificates dated September 4, 1917, numbers 1,007,811 to 1,007,815, inclusive
- 87 \$50 interim certificates dated July 10, 1917, numbers 455,617 to 455,703, inclusive

These certificates are transferable for bonds only at the Federal Reserve Bank, Boston, Mass., and a stop order has been placed against them. Should any of the certificates by chance be presented to any of our members, they should immediately notify this department or the nearest office of our detective agents.

LOST CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT

We have been informed by the Peoples State Bank, Parker-ville, Kan., that one of their depositors has had stolen from him four certificates of deposit, drawn on the above-named bank, the numbers being 192, 193, 194 and 195, each in the amount of \$1,000, payable to the order of Wm. Churchman, and dated March 22, 1917. Should any of these certificates of deposit be presented to any of our members, they should immediately notify the interested bank.

GENERAL

A SAD ENDING

Many of our members who have been interested and have followed the A. B. Crouch case will be interested to learn that one of the principals, Mrs. Margaret Buchanan, was found dead in her apartment at a local hotel of Temple, Texas. A chloroform bottle was found beside her. All indications point an accidental death, as Mrs. Buchanan suffered unusual severe headaches and usually sniffed chloroform to relieve her pain. It is supposed that she fell asleep while suffering one of her attacks, thereby inhaling enough of the drug to cause her death. During the trial of Gary Crouch, Mrs. Buchanan was the principal witness for the state. It was her testimony which aided in convicting A. B. Crouch's brother Gary, who was sentenced to a term of 2 years in the State Penitentiary. This conviction has been appealed.

IDENTIFICATION WANTED

We have been requested by Sheriff C. C. Bleile of Huron County, Norwalk, Ohio, to publish George Bennet's photograph and ask for an identification. Bennet at the present time is under arrest, being charged with forgery. His description is 41 years, 5 feet 8½ inches; has dark hair, streaked with gray, and gray eyes.



GEORGE BENNET

GEORGE W. ANDERSON, referred to in the October issue of the JOURNAL Supplement, was on September 20, 1917, sentenced to 2 years in the Maryland State Penitentiary, on the charge of obtaining money under false pretense and bigamy.

J. BERESFORD, whom we mentioned in the September JOURNAL Supplement, was on September 6, 1917, arrested by the sheriff of San Diego, Cal. He will be returned to San Miguel, Cal., to be tried on a local charge.

R. D. BREEN. In the September, 1917, JOURNAL Supplement, we made mention of Breen's transactions. Since this article was published, Breen has been killed in an automobile accident. His body has been brought to his home in St. Louis, Mo.

R. D. DEWEY. In our October, 1917, issue of the JOURNAL Supplement, we furnished the details showing Dewey's mode of operation. Since publishing this article Dewey has been arrested by the sheriff at Tipton, Iowa. He was able to settle the claim against him and was discharged.

E. M. EITELHUBER, alias H. Westfal. In the July and September issues of the JOURNAL Supplement will be found articles concerning this individual. On September 25, 1917, he was fined \$1 and \$5 costs besides being sentenced to 1 year in the House of Correction, Chicago.

LOU W. ERNST. Checks purporting to be issued by the Jacob Kaiser Manufacturing Co., drawn on the Third National Bank, St. Louis, Mo., have been passed by Ernst. Merchants of Omaha and vicinity are numbered among his victims.

Lou W. Ernst

FELIX GEPP, alias Harry P. Clark, is under arrest at New Orleans having been returned from Wilson, La., at which point his arrest was effected by the local authorities. A check on the Bank of New Orleans was used in a deal where an automobile was purchased. The check was returned as bogus. Gepp is 39 years of age, 5 feet 8 inches, stocky build; has blue eyes and is bald.



PAUL R. GAUSSER

PAUL R. GAUSSER, alias Harry A. Crofts, alias Wm. Van De Burgh, is under arrest at Baltimore, being charged with issuing bogus checks. For some time past Gausser has been drawing checks on the Ridgewood National Bank, Ridgewood, N. Y. On October 13, 1917, our New York detective agents learned that Gausser was stopping at a Baltimore hotel. The local agents notified the police who placed him under arrest. Gausser will be taken to Havre de Grace for trial.



FRANK C. GREEN

F. C. GREEN (true name Volney P. Cauldwell), alias Bernard L. Orey, etc., was on September 4, 1917, arrested at Trenton, N. J., by the local authorities being charged with passing checks drawn on the First National Bank, Danville, Va., purporting to have been issued by the Westbrooke Elevator Co. Several of these checks were passed in New Jersey cities. In his transactions he used the aliases of B. E. Aldrich, V. D. Aldrich, D. E. Boland and George H. Thompson. On September 14, 1917, he was sentenced to the New Jersey State Reformatory, Rahway, N. J. He is described as 27 years of age, 5 feet 10½ inches, 143 pounds, slender build; has sandy hair, blue eyes, light complexion. Bertillon measurements are: 73.5 72. 91.6 18.8 14.9 12.3 6.5 25.1 11.2 8.9 45.2. Finger prints: 1/17 U/R II/II =9.

D. C. HAMILTON. Some person using this name presented to a Kansas City, Mo., member a check drawn on the Osage City Kansas Bank, which was later returned as bogus. The member sustained a loss as they paid on this uncollected item. No description available.

W. C. Hamilton

STANLEY M. HART. Through the work of a United States Army officer assigned to the Intelligence Department, Hart was arrested at a Chicago hotel, where he represented

himself to be an army officer and endeavored to secure funds on a bogus check drawn on the First National Bank, Chicago, Ill. It is believed he has operated under the names of Max Von Rosenberg and George Chatfield. He is described as 38 years of age, 5 feet 9 inches, 165 pounds; has fair complexion and blue gray eyes.

WILLIAM C. HENDERSON, alias Louis Bernard Walker, impostor, encountered the hoodoo number "13," and on October of that date was arrested at New Orleans, by the agents of the Department of Justice, after attempting to cash a bogus check drawn on the Mechanics American National Bank, St. Louis. In this operation he posed as a colonel of the 211 Infantry. He has used the alias of Colonel Walker, Lewis B. Walker and H. J. Walker. Following his trial this impostor was sentenced to the Federal Penitentiary, at Atlanta, for a term of 1 year and a day.

F. H. HIGGINS opened an account with a Minneapolis, Minn., member, using in the transaction a check drawn on the Northwestern National of the same city. Following the receipt of a check book, Higgins, flooded the local merchants with his checks against this uncollected item. He is 27 years of age, 5 feet 7 inches, 150 pounds; has florid complexion and sandy hair.

W. H. HOPKINS, alias E. M. Messler. In an article appearing in the January, 1917, issue of the JOURNAL Supplement, we published an article concerning the operations of Hopkins. Late in May of this year he was arrested by the Memphis, Tenn., authorities and returned to Little Rock, Ark., for trial and was sentenced to 3 years in the Arkansas State Penitentiary.

SHERMAN W. HOYT. In the September, 1917, JOURNAL Supplement we published an article relative to the operations of Hoyt. On October 11, 1917, Judge Landis in the Federal Court, Chicago, sentenced Hoyt to 2½ years at Leavenworth Penitentiary.

CARL JACKSON is under arrest at Pontiac, Ill., awaiting trial for the hold up of a non-member bank of Odell, Ill. Several weeks before the crime was committed, Jackson, who was passing through Odell, saw that at a certain time during the day the bank was left in charge of one employee. Grasping the opportunity he arranged to be on hand when the lone employee was on duty. He entered the bank and forced the young lady clerk into the vault, helped himself to all the available funds and fled in an automobile going toward Chicago. The local authorities upon being advised of the hold up used the telephone to good advantage, warning the surrounding towns. In a very short while Jackson was recognized as he was driving through Dwight, Ill., and when arrested the money was found in his machine. Jackson was on parole from Joliet Penitentiary at the time the crime was committed.

ALEX. P. KING, alias R. G. Martin. Some unknown party has gained possession of a large check book, having three checks to the page and is issuing checks on the Brooklyn Trust Co., Bedford Branch, Brooklyn, N. Y. In each instance the checks are certified with the operator's own certification stamp, and purport to be issued by some prominent Brooklyn firm. The operator seems to favor drug store proprietors for his victims.

JAMES LELAND (true name Weinsfield), whom we mentioned in the July, 1917, JOURNAL Supplement, will not cause further trouble with his bogus checks. On September 14, Leland, while endeavoring to escape from officers who had just arrested him for issuing bogus checks, was shot and fatally wounded, dying in the hospital a few hours later.

WYATT ADVERTISING AGENCY NAMED

C. M. LLOYD is passing checks drawn on the American Trust & Savings Bank, Birmingham, Ala., purporting to be issued by the Wyatt Advertising Agency, Inc., a non-existing concern. The checks are made payable to Wm. E. Edwards and signed C. M. Lloyd, General Manager. The firm's name is stamped on the check with a "made up" rubber stamp.

C. M. Lloyd
Wm. E. Edwards

ANOTHER BOGUS ARMY OFFICER UNDER ARREST

CAPTAIN W. H. MARKS (true name Ralph McQuellin), alias Capt. George A. Middleton, is under arrest at Jacksonville, Fla. His arrest following information supplied by our Memphis and Atlanta representatives. McQuellin, alias Marks was a musician in the regimental band attached to the Third U. S. Artillery. He became infatuated with a Mrs. Marks, and following some agreement with her, he purchased a captain's uniform and in company with her set out on a tour of bogus check swindling which ended at Jacksonville.

J. A. NAST is under arrest at Akron, Ohio, charged with issuing bogus checks and obtaining funds on a stolen check drawn on a local bank. Nast has quite a record, having served several terms in New York and Ohio, and at the present time is wanted for the violation of his parole from a New York institution.

A. PRINCE. It is alleged that this party victimized a Chicago member by forging the signature of the local member's depositor. He is described as 42 years, 5 feet 7 inches, 160 pounds; has sallow complexion, light hair and blue eyes. A peculiar white spot appears on his right eye.

R. L. ROBERTS, alias Robert Ellison Levy. Checks drawn on the Lincoln Savings Bank, Louisville, Ky., have been passed in several cities on the Pacific coast. So far only hotel proprietors have been victimized.

JOHN DALE ROBINSON, alias Dale Rogers, alias Clay Rogers. A member bank of Dunlap, Iowa, has suffered a loss through the operations of Robinson by paying one of his bogus checks. The worthlessness of the check was discovered before Robinson left the city and an endeavor was made to cause his arrest, but in some manner, having heard that the officers were on the way to arrest him, Robinson made a hasty disappearance and was successful in escaping for the time being. The authorities finally located him at Danville, Ill., and effected his arrest. He was returned to Dunlap when he received a sentence of 15 years in the State Penitentiary.

W. H. ROPER is operating in Oklahoma against merchants and hotels with bogus checks drawn against the Citizens State Bank, Altoona, Kan. The interested bank is unable to furnish any details of his operations.

F. D. SHERRY. This individual is drawing drafts against his former employer, which are being dishonored. Sherry claims to represent a Hayden, Colo., oil company, and it is this firm that he is issuing worthless drafts against. A Lyman, Wyo., member advanced funds to Sherry and thereby sustained a loss. Our Denver detective agents are now engaged in investigating

the transaction. Sherry is 30 years, 5 feet 11 inches, 165 pounds; has dark hair.

GEORGE STONE and D. E. PASWALK. After working one day for a customer of a Winfred, S. D., member, these two operators gave up the position and were paid by check. Using the checks in question they secured the funds on one check and used the other to make a tracing of the signature of their employer. They then presented two forged checks at the bank and were successful in obtaining the amounts they called for. The bank describes Stone as 27 years old, 5 feet 8 inches; as having light brown hair, being stocky build, having a peculiar look in his eye and continually using the expressions of "You know" and "You see." Paswalk as being 28 to 30 years, 5 feet 11 inches, having blue or gray eyes, dark brown hair; fine appearing, fairly well educated. He also has a scar on the left cheek under the eye; finger and left hand between first and second joints missing. Claimed to have been with Pershing in Mexico.

JAMES THOMAS. The Franklin Trust & Savings Bank, Chicago, reported that James Thomas is drawing bogus checks against their institution, where he is unknown and does not keep an account. His victims have been café owners. He is described as being 23 to 25 years of age, 5 feet 9 inches, 160 pounds; heavy build.

LEE YOUNG. A Grafton, W. Va., member has sustained a loss through paying to Young a small sum of money on a check, which later was discovered to be a forgery. No description available.

Lee Young
twenty Dollars.

FRED VAN BUREN. Mention has been made concerning Van Buren and his operations in the JOURNAL Supplement for December, 1916. Upon completing his sentence in the Western Penitentiary, he has been returned to Fort Wayne, Ind., where he will have to stand trial on a forgery charge preferred by a local member.

ARRESTED

ARRESTS IN MAIL BOX THEFTS MADE

The Cleveland office of our Detective Agents, co-operating with the Federal authorities, Cleveland police and other interested parties have effected the arrest of two individuals who were charged with stealing mail from apartment houses and offices and appropriating any money or checks found in same to their own uses.

The arrest of CHAS. F. HOUSKA and LOUIS YAEGER has helped to clear up a series of forgeries that have been perpetrated against several local member banks. From the details furnished by our agents it is apparent that Yaeger was the "master-mind" of the Cleveland "Mail Box Clique," as he directed all of Houska's operations and it was a later confession that caused Yaeger's apprehension. The two are being held by the Federal authorities, awaiting the action of the Federal Grand Jury.

ARREST TWO CLEVER OPERATORS

Man and wife under arrest at Pontiac clear up numerous forgeries

By effecting the arrest of FRANCIS BUCHANAN and CHARLES H. BARKER (Mr. and Mrs. James P. Wallington), the authorities of Pontiac, Ill., have cleared up a chain of bogus check transactions that have taken place in several of the mid-western states. Several months ago this couple met in a hospital and were married. They started on their honeymoon which ended when the doors of the Pontiac Jail closed behind them. The first stage of their pleasure jaunt ran without a hitch, but they soon encountered that old obstacle—money. This evidently did not bother them to any extent as Mr. Wallington was an excellent scribe, and combining his ability with Mrs. Wallington's winsome ways they devised a plan whereby he would make out bogus checks while she would handle the bank end. Their plan met with extraordinary success and many banks were numbered among their victims. Mrs. Wallington under one of her numerous aliases would open an account with a worthless check drawn on a bank in a distant town. Before the returns from this check could be received she would win her way into the confidence of the bank attaché and be allowed to draw against an uncollected item. In their transactions they have used the aliases of Mary A. Bassett, Sarah A. Bassett, Mary J. Mullen, Amelia C. Wallace, Mary J. Connors, also Chas. P. Whitmore, and C. J. Northrup. Check books on banks in the following cities where they operated were also found: Buffalo, N. Y., Deshler, Ohio, Rochester, N. Y., Newark, N. J., Bloomington, Ill., and Lockport, N. Y. Their descriptions are: Mrs. Wallington is 21 years of age, 5 feet 5½ inches, 125 pounds, slender build; has medium complexion, dark eyes and dark chestnut hair. Mr. Wallington is 28 years, 5 feet 11½ inches, 165 pounds, medium build; has light florid complexion, light auburn hair, brown eyes, is a traveling man. We would suggest that should this pair be recognized by any of the members as having operated against them that they immediately have their authorities lodge a detainer warrant with the Pontiac police.

HOLD-UP MEN CAPTURED

Bandits who held up Granville Bank arrested after a few hours' hunt

L. H. SCHULTZ and EARL DAVIS, bank hold-up men, are under arrest, at Granville, due to the splendid work of ex-patrolman Chas. O. Burke, Newark, Ohio.



EARL DAVIS



L. H. SCHULTZ

On October 19, 1917, just before noon, two men entered the banking rooms of the Granville Bank Co., Granville, Ohio, and asked to have some money changed. As the bank employee was about to comply with the request he found himself confronted with a large revolver. The two employees of the bank, a man and a young lady were compelled to enter the vault. The young bandits hastily scooped all the available funds into a small bag and disappeared, only remaining in the bank about three minutes. In forcing the employees into the vault the robbers failed to lock them in, consequently they experienced no difficulty in gaining their liberty and immediately raised an alarm. The man hunt was under way in a very short time. Mr. Burke, who at one time was attached to the Newark police force, offered his services and after a short investigation followed out a live lead, and in a nearby town located two suspects dressed in army uniforms. Under a suitable pretext, he induced these suspects to accompany him in his automobile, on a supposed hunting trip. He drove in a round about way to Granville and on his way met the local authorities who were accompanied by the bank employee. Upon seeing the suspects they immediately identified them. They were searched and all but \$34 of the stolen money was recovered. These two robbers are being held in \$10,000 bonds for their hearing.

H. A. BUCHANAN, alias Joe Farnam, alias John Farnam. By paying on checks bearing the forged signature of depositors an Oklahoma City member has suffered a loss through the activities of Buchanan. In taking up the investigation our Kansas City agents learned that the operator had joined the Arkansas Militia. This information was supplied the Memphis representative of our agents who located Buchanan at Fort Logan H. Root and assisted by the local authorities he was successful in having this individual held for the Oklahoma City police. He is 31 years of age, 5 feet 8 inches, 135 pounds; has dark hair and complexion, eyes have a peculiar blue or green color.

OTTO BURGER. Through the error on the part of a mail carrier who delivered a letter addressed to Otto Burger to an individual with a similar name, a Chester, Pa., member, suffered a loss due to the fact that they paid on the check which was enclosed in the letter. Our Philadelphia and Detroit detective agents investigated the case and on September 19, 1917, Burger was located in Detroit and his arrest effected by the local authorities, through information supplied by our agents. He has been returned to Chester for trial.

W. R. COLE. Taking advantage of his acquaintance with the local representative of an Iowa automobile concern, Cole in the absence of his friend requested the firm to wire him funds. As the firm's bank was about to comply with the request they

received another wire of a like nature from a different part of the state, they became suspicious and had a short investigation made by the local telegraph operator and learned that a fraud was being planned. When the imposter called for the money at the Alexandria, La., bank, his arrest was effected by the local authorities. He is now being held awaiting trial for the attempted swindle.

W. W. CHARLES. We have published articles concerning this operator in the June, 1917, issue of the JOURNAL Supplement. These articles give the details of his transactions explaining how he victimized a Miami, Fla., member bank; how he was located and arrested by our San Francisco detective agents; how he secured his release on bonds and forfeited same. Following his escape from San Francisco, Charles wandered about the country awhile and finally returned to his home and surrendered. At the present time he has again secured his release on bonds and is now awaiting the action of the Grand Jury.

T. H. DOUGLAS, alias Lieut. W. A. Stokes, etc. Due to the activities of the Los Angeles representatives of our detective agents we are able to report the arrest of a swindler who deserves some mention. We first heard of this operator under the name of Carver, at which time he was drawing checks against two Los Angeles members. His arrest followed and after serving several months in the county jail he was released. Following his release he visited Bakersfield, Cal., where he stole a letter from a rural delivery box and using the name of Mains forged the indorsement on a check found in the stolen letter. Our agents lost all track of him after this operation until they recognized the work of an operator known to them as Douglas as that of Carver, alias Mains. Using the name of Douglas, this operator forged the signature to an insurance agent's check and defrauded a Sacramento, Cal., member who paid upon the forged check before they discovered their error. Following the Sacramento operation Douglas changed his name and assumed the title of lieutenant. By means of a make-shift uniform Douglas, alias Stokes, successfully operated against hotels and individuals and left a trail of worthless checks throughout the state of California which made it an easy matter for our agents to trace him from point to point until they finally located him in Los Angeles on September 24, 1917, and effected his arrest, being assisted by the local authorities. During his operations he has used the names of Chas. D. Mains, Norman R. Carver, and Albert George Jr. He confessed to having robbed several rooms of a Bakersfield hotel as well as being a deserter. Douglas was made a federal prisoner after his arrest and will be tried on an impersonation charge. The California Bankers Association co-operated in financing an investigation.

PASSER OF WORTHLESS MINING STOCK UNDER ARREST

F. P. FAULKNER, alias L. D. West, etc. In the May and September, 1917, JOURNAL Supplements, we published articles concerning Faulkner and his counterfeit mining stock. We also reproduced his photograph. Since the September issue Faulkner has been very active and has defrauded several brokers and individuals with his counterfeit Cresson stock. On October 18 our New York detective agents received information that Faulkner was then in Los Angeles. This information was furnished our local representatives who after a day's investigation located him at a local hotel and aided by the police, effected his arrest.

The peculiar thing about the source of this information was that Faulkner laid his own trap and then fell into it. On the

date mentioned a New York City bank received a wire from Los Angeles, signed S. F. Sutherland Co. In this wire the request was made as to the standing of a certain mining stock. As the New York bank knew that we were interested in this stock, they advised us. Our Los Angeles agents, upon investigating, learned that the Sutherland firm did not exist and that Faulkner evidently sent the wire as a feeler, so as to ascertain how our agents were keeping so close to him, as they were always just a few hours back of him following each transaction. He was so anxious to ascertain this information that he foolishly returned to the telegraph office the second time to receive his reply, but found our agents instead.

WILLIAM FITZGERALD. By securing funds from a Judith Gap, Mont., member on a check drawn on the Western Montana National Bank, Missoula, Fitzgerald victimized this member as the check was returned as worthless. On September 15, 1917, our Spokane detective agents received information that Fitzgerald was there in Hardin, Mont. The sheriff at that point was given the information, but before he could act, Fitzgerald left the vicinity. The sheriff ascertained the direction in which he was traveling and warned the authorities of the nearby cities to watch for him. On September 17, the Chief of Police of Billings, Mont., recognized Fitzgerald and caused his arrest notifying our agents who arranged to have him returned to Judith Gap. He is 21 years of age, 5 feet 5 inches, has red hair.

HERBERT G. FLENTYE. Being familiar with the habits of a local firm Flentyne called a Davenport, Ia., member over the long distance phone and by these means secured a small sum of money, thereby defrauding the member. Our Chicago detective agents while investigating the matter suspected Flentye of the crime; he was located residing in Chicago and through the information supplied by our agents his arrest was accomplished. After being questioned for a short period he confessed to the transaction and has been returned to Davenport. He is 24 years, 5 feet 7 inches, 135 pounds; has pale complexion, gray eyes, red hair, sharp features, talkative and inquisitive.

C. A. FRETWELL. In the September JOURNAL Supplement we published an article concerning the operations of this individual who used his army uniform to further his swindling transactions. Following his swindling the Lake City, Fla., member Fretwell rejoined his command. Our Atlanta special representative after investigating the case located Fretwell at Camp Wheeler, Ga., where he ascertained that he was under military arrest charged with being absent without leave and for issuing bogus checks. He will be tried by court martial.

GEORGE J. GRAVES, alias Frank Bowers. Under the alias of Bowers, this operator caused a Randolph, N. Y., member to suffer a loss due to their paying on two checks bearing the forged signature of their customer. Graves was just recently released from a New York State penitentiary and again took up his operations. Our agents have just learned that on October 1, 1917, Bowers was arrested by the authorities of McKean County, Pa., on a forgery charge and was sentenced to serve a term of 2 to 4 years in the Western Penitentiary.

FRANK F. GREEN. We published a warning article concerning Green in our last issue. After a short investigation made by our Kansas City detective agents, the whereabouts of Green were ascertained. The local sheriff was given the information and on September, 1917, effected his arrest. He has been returned to Bowling Green, Ky., for trial.

PETE HANRATY, JR. By securing funds on an uncollected item, drawn against the Enid National Bank, Enid, Okla., which was later returned, Hanraty has defrauded a member at Oklahoma City. He also secured a loan on a note bearing the

forged signature of his sister. Representatives of our Kansas City detective agents after a short investigation located Hanraty at McAlester, Okla. Hanraty endeavored to escape from the officers, but was captured after a short chase.

E. L. HARALSON has defrauded a Clovis, New Mexico member by securing funds on an uncollected item. This operator opened an account with the member using a check purporting to have been issued by the proprietor of the Gilkerson Hotel Roswell, N. M. The bank upon discovering the fraud notified this association and also kept close watch on the movement of Haralson by means of his worthless checks which were coming in at regular intervals. On October 18, 1917, the member learned that Haralson was then in Albuquerque. They notified the police and his arrest followed. He will be returned to Clovis for trial.

JOE HARDIN. After mortgaging property to a Nowata, Okla., member Hardin deposited same and left the vicinity. Word has just been received from the member to the effect that their authorities have returned Hardin to Nowata for trial and that he has agreed to plead guilty.

HARRY JOHNSON. This individual through error was given a letter which contained a check. By forging the indorsement to this check Johnson secured the funds on the check from an Elkins, W. Va., member and thereby victimized them. Our Pittsburgh detective agents while engaged upon an investigation, received word from the bank that Johnson had been apprehended. He is described as 20 years, 5 feet 5 inches, 140 pounds; has dark complexion, dark brown hair; front teeth protrude.

BERT J. KINKADE. A photograph of this individual appears in the February, 1917, JOURNAL Supplement over an article giving the details of his transactions with a Pocatello, Idaho member, and subsequent arrest. Following Kinkade's release on this charge he operated against a Portland, Ore., member and secured funds on a check bearing the forged signature of the payee. Kinkade was employed in the Adjutant General's office as a bookkeeper and in this manner came in possession of the check which he used in his fraudulent deal. Our Portland detective agents traced Kinkade to Chicago, at which point he was located by our Chicago agents who effected his arrest with the aid of the local police. Since Kinkade's arrest our agents have learned that he is also wanted by a Seattle, Wash., member on a like charge. The members will do well to examine this photograph for they might recognize him as one who has victimized them.

LENA M. KNAPP. Three member banks of Adrian, Mich. have suffered a loss through the paying upon checks bearing the forged signatures of their depositors. In each instance the checks were made payable to a man, then indorsed by the payee and also bore the payee's supposed wife's signature, further all the checks were presented by a woman. A representative of our Detroit detective agents was assigned to the case. After investigating every angle of the affair all leads pointed towards a local school teacher who had recently married. In every case it was found that Mrs. Knapp was familiar with the writings of the men whose names were forged to the checks. It was also discovered that this woman had been boasting that she was able to imitate any one's writing. Going into the matter very thoroughly with the district attorney it was decided to cause this woman's arrest as several identifications were made. She is now being held for the action of the Grand Jury.

W. LEIGH. While employed as a presser for a Philadelphia tailor, Leigh forged the signature of his employer to a small check and then sent the company's errand boy to the bank. As the boy was well known at the local member bank, the check was not questioned and the money was paid. The boy then delivered the

same to the forger who very kindly paid him a nickel for his trouble. Our agents at Philadelphia upon being called in were informed by the member that they were unable to supply them with any details but were of the opinion that the money had been paid to a small boy. Following this lead, the office boy was questioned and he readily gave the above-mentioned details. This information was supplied to the local police who on the evening of October 17, arrested Leigh and held him in \$500 bond for a hearing.

R. L. LOVE (true name R. L. Brewer). In the October Supplement we published the details concerning Brewer's, alias Love's transaction by which he defrauded a Cement, Okla., member. On September 16, 1917, a representative of our Denver detective agents located this operator, and with the aid of Marshall Westover of Rushville, Nebr., effected his arrest. He has been returned to Cement.

DE LEON MATHEWS. By forging the signature of a customer of a Lake City, So. Car., member to a check, Mathews secured the funds on same and left the vicinity. He shortly afterwards endeavored to work the same scheme on a Jacksonville, Fla., member who became suspicious and wired Lake City for a confirmation of the check. Instead of the confirmation they received a request to arrest Mathews. Following his arrest he was returned to stand trial. He is 18 years, 5 feet 8 inches, 140 pounds; has light complexion.

J. F. MCBRIER. Several months ago a member at Beckley, Va., was defrauded through paying upon a check bearing the forged indorsement of their customer. Our detective agents caused the arrest of George Campbell shortly after the transaction he being implicated in the case, but were unable to locate McBrier the other operator until September 17, at which time a representative of our Pittsburg detective agents effected his arrest at Widen, W. Va., with the assistance of a special officer in the employ of a local coal mining company. Both operators have secured their release on bonds while awaiting trial.

T. A. McMILLON. By securing a loan on two mules, which were not his property, McMillon victimized a Thorndale, Tex., member. Our Houston detective agents in investigating the case located this individual in the vicinity of Austin and with the aid of the local sheriff effected McMillon's arrest.

B. MILLER. On September 17, 1917, through information furnished by our Baltimore detective agents, Miller was arrested by the local authorities and is being held awaiting an officer from Huntington, W. Va., at which point he defrauded a local member.

W. P. NEILL has been arrested at Valier, Wash., and returned to Great Falls, Mont., to be tried on a worthless check charge. By referring to the April, 1917, issue of the JOURNAL Supplement, details surrounding his transaction with a Palouse, Wash., member may be found. Arrangements are being made to have him returned to Palouse.

J. T. O'NEIL, alias Walter B. Johnson. Using the fact that his brother was a well-known contractor, O'Neil represented himself as his brother and issued checks bearing his brother's forged signature. A Wallingford, Conn., member knew O'Neil as a prominent contractor and did not hesitate to pay on a check presented by the impostor, which was returned as a forgery. Our New York detective agents investigated the matter and after a short investigation their representative located O'Neil at Bridgeport, Conn., where his arrest was caused. O'Neil was returned to Wallingford for his hearing. He is described as 40 years of age, 5 feet 8 inches, 170 pounds, heavy build, has reddish complexion, dark chestnut hair. Back of neck covered with scars.

MISS NELSON PHIPPS. By raising several checks from \$2 to \$5 and securing the funds on same Miss Phipps has victimized a Washington, D. C., member. Inasmuch as the crime was committed in the vicinity of Prince Frederick, Md., it was necessary for our agents to arrange to have the Washington member secure the warrant at that point. The sheriff was then given the details of the case and upon information furnished by our Baltimore detective agents, effected Miss Phipps' arrest. She has been held for the November term of court and has been released on bond.

M. D. RISSMAN. In June, 1915, Rissman victimized a member bank of Mason City, Ia., by securing funds on a bogus check, purporting to be issued by the Northern States Coal and Mining Co., Chicago, the company he was supposed to be representing. Our Chicago agents while investigating the case for the Iowa member ascertained that Rissman was a general crook and had stolen an automobile from the above-mentioned company, besides having been in trouble with several other coal concerns. Our agents were unable to obtain any trace of this individual until October 19, 1917, when they learned that Rissman had been arrested by the local authorities charged with the theft of an automobile. The Iowa Bankers Association co-operated with this association in financing the investigation. Rissman is 27 years, 5 feet 8 inches, 150 pounds; has dark hair, dark beady eyes. Jewish features, dark olive skin. Coal salesman.

IRENE RUSSELL. This young girl forged her mother's signature to 29 checks and a member bank at Kirkwood, Mo., paid on same before the error was discovered. Our St. Louis detective agents investigated the case and their representative finally secured a confession from the depositor's daughter. The mother stated that her daughter had been wayward all her life, and she therefore thought it the best policy to allow her daughter to suffer the penalty for her actions. Irene Russell is 15 years of age, 5 feet 3 inches, 130 pounds, stout build, has dark complexion, dark brown hair and eyes.

META SAFREED. This seventeen year old girl successfully operated against an Okmulgee, Okla., member and secured funds from checks bearing the forged signatures of the bank's customers. A representative of our Kansas City detective agents assisted by the local authorities suspected the Safreed girl and after locating her at her brother's home, she confessed. She is 21 years of age, 5 feet 2 inches, 150 pounds; has medium complexion, brown hair; left side of face pock marked.

FRANK SMITH. While in the employ of a San Francisco, Cal., member bank as a messenger, Smith became familiar with the signature of one of the officials. Later Smith severed his connections with this bank and failing to find work, he hit upon a novel scheme of issuing checks bearing the forged signature of the above-mentioned official. Our detective agents placed this matter under investigation and on October 13, located Smith in Sausalito, Cal. After being questioned he acknowledged his guilt and was placed under arrest. This association co-operated with the California Bankers Association in financing the investigation. He is described as 20 years, 5 feet 5 inches, 130 pounds; has dark reddish hair and brown eyes.

FRANK TALIA, alias Frank Galia, alias Frank Salia, alias Frank Falia. In 1914, this operator successfully operated against a Passaic, N. J., member and victimized them by obtaining funds on a forged withdrawal order. All leads pointed towards Talia, but no arrest was made as the employee of the member bank was not positive of the identification. Shortly after this transaction Talia was arrested and sentenced to the

State Penitentiary on a similar charge. Following his release from the penitentiary he was indicted on the evidence on hand and has been returned to stand trial for the Passaic operation.



DAVID C. TURK

DAVID C. TURK. Representing himself as a government lumber inspector and buyer, Turk experienced no difficulty in obtaining funds on his check drawn on the Manufacturers and Traders National Bank, Buffalo, N. Y. His first victim among our members was one located at Clarion, Pa. Following the Clarion transaction, Turk married a local girl and together they left the vicinity on a so-called "honeymoon." Our agents traced Turk through several states by means of his bogus checks and finally at Raleigh, N. C., on October 12, 1917, a representative of our Baltimore detective agents located Turk and his wife at a local hotel. This information was supplied to the local authorities and they assisted in the arrest. Mrs. Turk was entirely innocent of any wrong and was permitted to return to her parents.

W. H. WILLIAMS and LOU PROSSER. A member bank of Miami, Fla., suffered a loss through paying upon a check bearing the forged signature of their customer. A local character was suspected as having been the operator. Our representative at Jacksonville, upon receiving the facts of the case, made a short investigation and found enough evidence to convince him that one W. H. Williams, who was being held for investigation, was the guilty party. Williams was put through a very severe examination and finally confessed to the transaction and claimed that half of the proceeds were given to Prosser. Prosser upon being found disclaimed any knowledge of the affair, but enough data had been gathered to warrant his arrest, which followed.

WALTER ALEXANDER. The prosecuting attorney refused to push the Alexander case and allowed him to receive his freedom following his showing that a complete restitution had been made.

F. A. ALLISON referred to in the September, 1917, issue of the JOURNAL Supplement was released from custody following the failure of a proper identification.

NED ARCHER, following his conviction on a forgery charge, was sentenced to 1 to 2 years in the Colorado State Penitentiary, Canon City. After serving about a week of his sentence, he escaped and is now a fugitive from justice.

R. C. CASEY. On the request of the District Attorney, Portland, Ore., the case against Casey was dismissed.

T. H. DOUGLAS, alias Lieut. W. A. Stokes. In an article appearing in this issue, we have given a short history of Douglas' operations. Following his arrest by our Los Angeles detective

agents, he was confined at Fort McArthur and on September 29, 1917, was successful in effecting his escape from military control. He is now a fugitive from justice.

MR. and MRS. LYTTLETON C. EDWARDS. These two operators after fighting against being extradited to Washington, D. C., were released due to the fact that a faulty complaint had been drawn up by the federal authorities.

FRANK GIBSON, whose arrest was caused some time ago by the Federal authorities, being charged with the hold-up of the Bank of Union, Union, Okla., has been released, due to the fact, that the bank official was unable to make an identification.

ROBERT J. GORTHY, who victimized a Pryor, Okla., member by disposing of mortgaged property was acquitted and released.

GEORGE J. GRAVES, alias Frank Bowers, was on October 1, 1917, sentenced from McKean County, Pa., to serve not less than 2 nor more than 4 years in the Western Penitentiary, Pittsburgh. We are removing this case due to the fact that a detainer warrant will be lodged with the warden by a Randolph, N. Y., member.

PETE HANRATY, JR. After some deliberation on the part of the district attorney, this case was dismissed upon the promise that Hanraty would make complete restitution. This promise was fulfilled and the operator secured his release.

J. C. HENRY, alias J. W. Burrows, alias J. C. Hanley, etc. Following Henry's arrest and return to Moberly, Mo., he was released on bonds, which he forfeited. He is now operating in the same manner as before, but is using a check purporting to have been issued by the Swift Live Stock Commission Company. These checks are drawn against the First National Bank, South St. Paul, and the Stock Yards National, Chicago. Henry is a fugitive from justice and is dangerous. Should he call on you, notify your local authorities at once.

J. W. HOLTZAPPLE entered a plea of guilty and was sentenced to a term of 5 years in the Kansas State Reformatory, Hutchinson, Kansas.

M. M. JARVIS, arrested sometime ago by the Federal authorities charged with being implicated in the hold-up of the Bank of Union, Union, Okla., has been released due to the fact that the bank official was unable to identify him.

EDWARD E. JONES. We have been carrying this operator as awaiting trial for forgery. On November 15, 1916, Jones surrendered to the military authorities at Fortress Monroe and after answering a charge of desertion he was reinstated to good standing and assigned to a new command at Fort Ethan Allen Vt. Inasmuch as the alleged forgery charge was not pressed we are carrying Jones as released.

RAY B. LOWERY. Upon being allowed to make restitution, through the recommendation of the prosecuting attorney Lowery was released.

T. J. McARDLE, alias J. Marshall, etc., pleaded guilty to an indictment charging him with attempting to pass a check for \$3.75. He was sentenced to a term of 1 to 10 years, but was immediately paroled.

J. F. McVEY. In the arrest column of the September, 1917, issue of the JOURNAL Supplement, we published an article concerning this operator. Inasmuch as our detective agents located McVey in the Arkansas State Penitentiary, at which point he was serving a sentence for a similar offense committed in Little Rock, Ark., we are carrying this operator as convicted, as it will be several years before he could appear for trial on our member's complaint.

ARTHUR MANDVILLE. Owing to lack of evidence, Mandville has been released.

ELIAS MARKOWITZ has been given an indeterminate sentence in the New York State Reformatory, Elmira, N. Y.

JAMES M. MEYERS, alias Charles Wise, etc., was on September 13, 1917, sentenced to a term of 5 to 15 years in the Michigan State Penitentiary, Jackson, Mich.

FOREST MONTGOMERY was sentenced to serve 15 years in the Iowa State Penitentiary at Anamosa, Iowa.

RAY NEEDHAM (true name Wesley England) has been sentenced to 14 months at the Kansas State Reformatory, Hutchinson, Kansas.

W. P. NEILL, mentioned elsewhere in this issue, has been released following the district attorney's agreement not to prosecute providing he made complete restitution.

LAWRENCE PETERSON, alias Leary Green (negro), has been released owing to the fact that proper identification could not be made.

LOU PROSSER who was arrested at the same time as W. H. Williams, in connection with a forgery charge was during the last term of court held in Dade County, Fla., released from custody.

IRENE RUSSELL has been sentenced to 3 years in the Missouri Industrial School for girls.

USHER FOR SUNDAY'S MEETINGS SENTENCED TO ATLANTA

F. I. SNOW, alias Sidney Dunlap, etc., who has had considerable notoriety of late due to his swindling transactions was, on October 3, 1917, sentenced by Judge Sheppard in the Federal Court, to serve a term of three years in the Federal Penitentiary at Atlanta, Ga. On October 4, he appeared for sentence on the New York charge, preferred by a New York member bank and due to the fact that he had just been sentenced to Atlanta for a similar charge the Court suspended sentence. We believe it advisable that all members who have complaints against Snow alias Dunlap that they have their authorities lodge detainer warrants with the warden at Atlanta.

H. O. THOMPSON. On October 6, 1917, Thompson was fined \$1 and sentenced to serve 6 months in the House of Correction, Chicago.

DAVID C. TURK. While being returned to Clarion, Pa., where he was wanted for forgery, Turk eluded the sheriff and is now a fugitive from justice. We have reproduced Turk's photograph elsewhere in this issue and the members should familiarize themselves with same as he is a very dangerous operator.

ROBERT J. WEIR, alias Robert J. Ware, was on September 24, 1917, sentenced to one year in the Alameda County Jail, Oakland, Cal.

W. H. WILLIAMS, being charged with forging the signature of his employer has been sentenced to the Florida State Penitentiary, Tallahassee, for a term of 2 years.

AWAITING ACTION

ALLEGED FORGERIES AND SWINDLES

Bachrack, Morris, forgery, Wilkes-Barre, Pa.
Bacon, Floyd C., forgery, Conneaut, Ohio.

- Barker, Charles H., forgery, Pontiac, Ill.
Baughman, A. H., swindle, Tulsa, Okla.
Benson, Fred, forgery, Elgin, Ill.
Blackwell, Percy, worthless checks, Beckley, W. Va.
Bland, W. F., bogus certificate of deposit, Yale, Okla.
Blankman, David, forgeries, Boston, Mass.
Boxley, P. H., bogus certificate of deposit, Hugo, Okla.
Brady, S. A., forgery, Salt Lake City, Utah.
Brock, J. A., forgery, Antlers, Okla.
Broder, Otto F., forgery, Detroit, Mich.
Buchanan, Francis, forgery, Pontiac, Ill.
Buchanan, H. A., forgery, Oklahoma City, Okla.
Buckles, Charles, forgery, Caruthersville, Mo.
Bunch Essie, forgery, Memphis, Tenn.
Bundy, H. C., forgery, San Francisco, Cal.
Buntin, W. F., raised check, Woodward, Okla.
Burger, Otto, forgery, Chester, Pa.
Burton, Vincent, directory swindle, Brooklyn, N. Y.
Campbell, George, forgery, Beckley, W. Va.
Carter, Dave, forgery, Houston, Tex.
Charles, W. W., mortgage swindle, Miami, Fla.
Chippenfield, Austin B., forgery, Mound City, W. Va.
Chisholm, Frank, forgery, New York, N. Y.
Churchill, Roy, forgery, Amarillo, Tex.
Cobb, Otis W., bogus checks, New York, N. Y.
Cogswell, A. J., forgery, New York, N. Y.
Cohn, E. A., forged notes, Kansas City, Mo.
Cole, W. R., attempt to swindle, Alexandria, La.
Colwell, H. H., forgery, Plainview, Tex.
Comstock, W. J., forged indorsement, Detroit, Mich.
Cooper, C. S., worthless checks, Los Angeles, Cal.
Craun, James R., forgery, Tulsa, Okla.
Dalton, Dewey, forgery, Harrison, Ark.
Danielson, Clifford, directory swindle, Brooklyn, N. Y.
Danielson, Lincoln, directory swindle, Brooklyn, N. Y.
Dugger, W. L., mortgage swindle, Hillsboro, Tex.
Eichler, Henry, forgery, Utica, N. Y.
Evans, H. R., bogus certificate of deposit, Ada, Okla.
Faith, James, forgery, Corona, N. M.
Faulkner, F. P., forgery, Chicago, Ill.
Ferris, Jack, forgery, San Francisco, Cal.
Fitzgerald, William, worthless check, Judith Gap, Mont.
Flentye, Herbert G., swindle, Davenport, Iowa.
Fretwell, C. A., bogus check, Lake City, Fla.
Friese, Harold, worthless check, Bridgeport, Conn.
Frosell, C. Gustave, bogus check, Chicago, Ill.
Garnett, Chas. H., bogus certificate of deposit, Ada, Okla.
Goble, V. R., forged notes, Concordia, Mo.
Goettel, Sam, worthless checks, Waterloo, Iowa.
Goldberg, Dr. S. C., forgery, Petersburg, Va.
Gore, Robert, forgery, Madison, W. Va.
Green, Frank F., bogus drafts, Bowling Green, Ky.
Gross, Harry, raised checks, Columbus, Ohio.
Haralson, E. L., bogus checks, Clovis, N. M.
Hardin, Joe, mortgage swindle, Nowata, Okla.
Hartzig, Emory, directory swindle, Brooklyn, N. Y.
Hayden, William, forgery, Portland, Ore.
Hix, J. S., bogus certificate of deposit, Ada, Okla.
Hodge, Allie, raised check, Birmingham, Mich.
Hollen, E. N., forgery, Clay, W. Va.
Houska, Chas. F., forgery, Cleveland, Ohio.
Howard, Felix, forgery, Houston, Tex.
Huddleston, J. W., forgery, Duncan, Okla.
Hunt, James S., forgery, Detroit, Mich.
Ivanov, Mike, forgery, Cedar Rapids, Iowa.
Johnson, Harry, forgery, Elkins, W. Va.
Jones, J. Greeley, bogus certificates of deposit, Ada, Okla.
Keiser, Capt. J. C., worthless checks, New Orleans, La.
Kelley, George, worthless check, Little Rock, Ark.
Kerdell, Lillian, forgery, Jacksonville, Fla.
Kerr, George, forgery, Harrison, Ark.
Kinkade, Bert J., forgery, Portland, Ore.
Klein, George, forgery, St. Joseph, Mo.
Knapp, Lena M., forgery, Adrian, Mich.
Kocker, Emil, forgery, Jersey City, N. J.
Kzyonowsky, Annie, forgery, Roslyn, N. Y.
Larson, E. D., forgery, Bountiful, Utah.
Lawless, George W., bogus checks, Detroit, Mich.
Leigh, W., forgery, Philadelphia, Pa.
Locke, H. A., bogus certified check, Savannah, Ga.
Love, R. L., mortgage swindle, Cement, Okla.
Mack, J. W., bogus certificate of deposit, Hugo, Okla.
Martin, Herbert, forgery, Franklin, La.
Martin, June, forgery, Franklin, La.
Massey, W. B., forgery, Blytheville, Ark.
Mathews, De Leon, forgery, Lake City, S. C.
Matthews, J. D., bogus certificate of deposit, Cushing, Okla.
McBrier, J. F., forged endorsement, Beckley, W. Va.
McCarthy, Elmore, forgery, Houston, Tex.
McClanahan, J. A., forged notes, Concordia, Mo.
McMillon, T. A., mortgage swindle, Thorndale, Tex.
Miller, B., bogus check, Huntington, W. Va.
Miller, Peter J., worthless checks, Chicago, Ill.
Milligan, J. A., forgery, Dallas, Tex.
Minor, R. A., forgery, Jacksonville, Fla.
Moore, Lester, forgery, Birmingham, Ala.
Morris, Fritz, forgery, Roslyn, N. Y.
Nix, Wyatt L., bogus certificate of deposit, Hugo, Okla.
O'Donnell, Joseph, worthless checks, San Francisco, Cal.
O'Neil, J. T., forgery, Wallingford, Conn.
Patton, Thomas W., worthless draft, Springfield, Ill.
Peterson, Lawrence, forgery, St. Louis, Mo.
Phipps, Miss Nelson, raised check, Washington, D. C.
Poche, Joseph L., worthless check, Center City, Minn.
Poellet, Jr., C. T., worthless check, Buffalo, N. Y.
Rembert, Julius, forgery, Houston, Tex.
Rissman, M. D., bogus check, Mason City, Iowa.
Robinette, I. T., Mt. Hope, W. Va.
Roll, D. M., forgery, Evansville, Ind.
Rollison, C. A., raised check, Waycross, Ga.
Runnells, York, forgery, Houston, Tex.
Safreed, Meta, forgery, Okmulgee, Okla.
Salisbury, Geo. R., bogus checks, Birmingham, Ala.
Schaeffer, Fred, forgery, Toledo, Ohio.
Schulthess, Heber B., forgery, Salt Lake City, Utah.
Scott, Walter A., forgery, Pasco, Wash.
Sheldon, James E., mortgage swindle, Leesburg, Fla.
Shipman, Horace M., bogus draft, Oklahoma City, Okla.
Smith, Frank, forgery, San Francisco, Cal.
Stephens, Edward, directory swindle, Brooklyn, N. Y.
Sullivan, Twain, swindle, Chester, Mont.
Talia, Frank, forgery, Passaic, N. J.
Tisor, Carl R., accomplice of swindler, Forsyth, Mont.
Turley, Bryan, forgery, Tulsa, Okla.
Van Leuven, Bert, worthless check, Salina, Kan.
Von Voorst, Fred, forgery, Indianapolis, Ind.
Wachter, Philip, forgery, Scranton, Pa.
Walters, August, forgery, Onida, S. D.
Warner, Lon, mortgage swindle, Higgins, Tex.
Watkins, Jack, forgery, Houston, Tex.

Weil, M. L., worthless draft, Elko, Nev.
 Weisbord, Max, raised checks, Columbus, Ohio.
 Wetmore, Claude H., forgery, St. Louis, Mo.
 Willis, G. S., bogus check, Brooksville, Fla.
 Wisdom, G. C., bogus certificate of deposit, Cushing, Okla.
 Woods, Mingo, forgery, Houston, Tex.
 Young, Thomas, directory swindle, Brooklyn, N. Y.
 Young, William, directory swindle, Brooklyn, N. Y.

BURGLARS AND HOLD-UP ROBBERS

Alderman, Hugh, hold-up, Homestead, Fla.
 Bear, A., suspected hold-up, Hugo, Okla.
 Bergens, J. W., robbery and murder, Point, Tex.
 Burton, Jack, attempted robbery, Lorain, Ohio.
 Carden, Julius, hold-up, Heavener, Okla.
 Carsen, Grady, hold-up, Heavener, Okla.
 Carter, Charlie, alleged bank robber, Point, Tex.
 Clair, Henry, hold-up, Tuskahoma, Okla.
 Davis, Earl, hold-up, Granville, Ohio.

Fortner, Howard, contemplated robbery, Windsor, Ill.
 Fotaff, Thomas, attempted robbery, Lorain, Ohio.
 Fulbright, Lee, sneak theft, Denver, Colo.
 Hester, Wm., burglary, DeQueen, Ark.
 Jenkins, H. P., robbery, El Paso, Ark.
 Lemons, Doc, robbery, El Paso, Ark.
 Littrell, Jess, hold-up, Harrah, Okla.
 McKinney, Calvin, robbery, Crowder, Okla.
 Marvin, Harold, robbery, Oronogo, Mo.
 Quattlebaum, Arthur, robbery, El Paso, Ark.
 Quattlebaum, John, robbery, El Paso, Ark.
 Quattlebaum, Sid, robbery, El Paso, Ark.
 Rankin, Iola, suspected hold-up, Hugo, Okla.
 Schultz, L. H., hold-up, Granville, Ohio.
 Smith, Frank, hold-up, Heavener, Okla.
 Stone, Jim, robbery, El Paso, Ark.
 Warnix, John, burglary, DeQueen, Ark.
 Warnix, Enoch, burglary, DeQueen, Ark.
 Winfield, C. P., suspected hold-up, Hugo, Okla.

STATISTICS OF THE PROTECTIVE DEPARTMENT

| | Awaiting trial August 31, 1917 | Arrested since August 31, 1917 | Arrests in October, 1917 | Total | Convicted | Discharged or acquitted | Fugitive, escaped, insane or died | Awaiting trial |
|----------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|-------|-----------|----------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------|
| Forgers..... | 108 | 46 | 38 | 84 | 29 | 18 | 5 | 140 |
| Burglars..... | 4 | 3 | .. | 3 | 4 | .. | .. | 3 |
| Hold-up robbers..... | 24 | .. | 2 | 2 | .. | 2 | .. | 24 |
| Sneak Thieves..... | .. | 1 | .. | 1 | .. | .. | .. | 1 |
| Total..... | 136 | 50 | 40 | 90 | 33 | 20 | 5 | 168 |

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RULES OF THE PROTECTIVE COMMITTEE

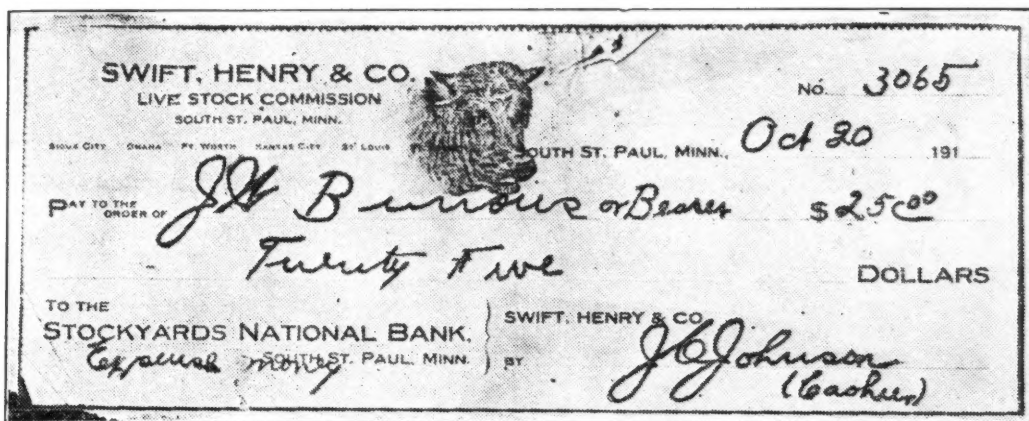
1. Upon receipt of notification by the General Secretary, Five Nassau Street, New York City, or the nearest office or correspondent of the William J. Burns International Detective Agency, Inc., of an attempted or successful perpetration of fraud or crime upon a member of this Association in its banking rooms, or in the rooms of such branches as are members, either by forgery, check-raising, worthless or bogus checks, swindle, sneak theft, robbery, hold-up or burglary therein, the committee will at once use its best efforts to apprehend the criminal. No action, however, will be taken unless immediate notice is given, and a case once committed to the Association cannot be taken out of its hands nor the offense condoned or compromised. If for any reason whatsoever no prosecution takes place when the member is in a legal position to aid in the prosecution, and fails to do so, such member shall reimburse the Association for all expenses incurred in connection with the case reported.

2. In reporting cases the member agrees to swear out a warrant for the criminal concerned when his identity has been determined: or a John Doe warrant at once in states where permitted. The committee relentlessly pursues both amateur and professional criminals in cases of attempted or successful fraud or crime upon members of the Association, but cannot take cognizance of such offenses where perpetrated upon others than members, or of so-called "inside jobs" where the offender is an officer or employee of a member. The committee relies upon the state, county or local authorities to arrange for the extradition and the payment of expense incident to the return of a prisoner. The committee will not pay witness fees, and will not be responsible for any expense incurred for protective work which has not been previously authorized.

PROTECTIVE DEPARTMENT

L. W. GAMMON, MANAGER
Five Nassau Street, New York

NOVEMBER PROTECTIVE WORK



WARNING

 BOGUS LIVE STOCK BUYER.

J. C. Burrows, claiming to represent the Swift Live Stock Commission Company, is very active

In the September and November, 1917, issues of the JOURNAL Supplement, we published articles concerning this operator's dealings. These articles apparently have been overlooked as J. C. Henry is still traveling through the western states and finding numerous victims.

J. C. Henry, alias J. C. Burrows, etc., is a dangerous operator to be at large. He is using a bogus check purporting to be issued by the Swift Live Stock Commission Co., payable to J. C. Burrows or bearer and drawn on the First National Bank, South St. Paul, Minn. This check is the operator's own get up as both the firm and bank are non-existent. We are reproducing one of his old checks. He is described as 35 to 40 years, 5 feet 10 inches, 140 to 150 pounds, dark hair, dark complexion.

PLEASE HEED

Why ignore this warning when you might aid the banking fraternity?

From time to time we have printed articles concerning the operations of a very clever swindler. These articles have appeared in the following issues, under titles, "Beware of the Blonde" and "Jim the Penman," etc.: July, August, September and December, 1914; April, May, August and December, 1915; April, May, July and November, 1916, and May, 1917. Subsequent events again necessitate that we issue another warning

as this operator is getting bolder, following each transaction. Due to the nature of his operations, his apprehension must be caused by the co-operation of the members as we are powerless to take any action.

R. A. Blanchard, as he is known to us, is now operating alone. We presume his blonde assistant has fallen by the wayside as she has not appeared in his last six operations. He is using a sure and seemingly safe mode to obtain money from the members. He calls at the bank, presents a check usually calling for \$70. This check is drawn on a distant bank and bears the forged indorsement of a prominent citizen of your community. Your paying teller does not question the indorsement and pays on the check. Had he used the telephone the bank would have avoided a loss and the banking fraternity would have been rid of a great menace. Blanchard is a very clever penman and finds no difficulty in forging the indorsement on the back of the checks, which indorsement he receives, by writing a letter to the citizen that necessitates an answer. To aid your employees in determining the identity of the operator, we are reproducing his writing and giving his description as 40 years, 5 feet 11 inches, 155 pounds, medium build, sallow complexion, dark brown eyes, thin medium hair.

Seventy and no. 70²²
Eighty-seven
Eighty-five

NEGRO SWINDLES BANKS

An unusually shrewd negro using the name of George M. Howard and the following aliases, Ray M. Howard, H. R. Wright, George Lewis, William R. Lewis, Howard Davis, etc., has defrauded a number of members located in Kansas, Missouri and Oklahoma by means of bogus checks to which he has invariably forged the indorsement of some colored school teacher. This operator is well educated and represents in each case to be acquainted with a prominent local colored educator whose indorsement he forges to his bogus checks. So far he has used the following checks in his transactions: Merchants Bank, Kansas City, Mo.; Commercial State Bank, Rosedale, Kan.; and the National Reserve Bank, Topeka, Kan., the last named bank being a non-existent institution. He is described as 30 years, 5 feet 9 inches, 165 pounds; square shoulders, dark brown complexion, black hair, cut close around sides, long on top, dark brown eyes, small Charlie Chaplin mustache.

George M. Howard

SHORT CHANGE ARTIST ACTIVE

Clever swindler is now defrauding members by the short-change method

Our attention has just been called to the activities of a short change artist whom we mentioned in the July, 1917, issue of the JOURNAL Supplement, and it is apparent that this operator is again active, this time in the East. Bankers in Connecticut, Massachusetts and bordering states should be on their guard against this operator. His method of operation is rather complicated, but very easy to distinguish; he rushes into the bank, bareheaded, pen or pencil back of his ear, shirt sleeves rolled up and apparently out of breath, giving the impression that he is employed near by and has run in for some change; he presents a \$100 bill and asks for ten dollars' worth of halves, four tens and a fifty; he then fishes another \$10 bill from his vest pocket and asks to be given another \$50 bill for the five tens, which he starts to shove over the counter; then, without letting loose of his money, he remarks that he is sorry, and asks if it isn't too much bother he would like to have his \$100 bill back, and at the same time shoves back the five tens and the \$50 bill you have just given him and receives the \$100 bill in exchange. He is successful, due to the fact that he uses the "RUSH ACT", and catches the paying teller off his guard. We presume that as soon as the operator leaves the bank he meets an accomplice who is holding his coat and hat, thereby making himself less conspicuous. He is described as: 28 years, 5 feet 8 inches, 130 lbs., and dark complexioned.

We are advised by a bank member at Port Henry, New York, to warn the banks and their customers in northern New York to be on their guard relative to a bogus check operator who is passing checks signed W. H. Cole and Company, R. M. Martin, and R. M. Martin and Son. These checks are payable to W. H. White and W. H. Haley. This party has operated at Rouses Point, N. Y.,

Champlain, N. Y., Port Henry, N. Y., and other places in northern New York.



GEO. ALDEN BEACH

EXPERT ACCOUNTANT GOES WRONG

GEORGE ALDEN BEACH, alias A. B. Cathaway. Several months ago our Chicago detective agents were searching for this operator on a Kansas City, Mo., member bank's complaint. All traces of him were lost. Just recently it has developed that Beach, under the name of A. B. Cathaway has been employed by a Chicago firm as an expert accountant. While thus engaged he appropriated for his own use the funds secured from a draft to which he had forged the signature of his employer. At the present time our Chicago and Denver detectives are now searching for Beach. In an article appearing in the February, 1916, issue of the JOURNAL Supplement, we published the details concerning his previous transaction. Beach is 30 years, 5 feet 8 inches, 135 pounds; medium slender build, blue eyes, dark brown hair.

HOSIERY SALESMAN IS SWINDLING MERCHANTS

THOMAS E. CAMPBELL is traveling about the northern states representing himself to be the authorized agent of Emery Beers Company, Inc., sole owners of the "Onyx" brand of hosiery. Campbell calls on a merchant, makes a sale and requests a 10% cash payment of the order placed. He then calls at the bank with the check which bears the forged signature of the above-mentioned firm. We presume that the banks are protected by the indorsement of their customer as none have reported a loss. The banks will do well to be on the watch for this operator.

CHARLES COX. An individual using the name of Cox has defrauded a member of Broken Arrow, Okla., by means of a check which had the forged signature of one of their customers.

HOWARD DEVENY, alias R. Rollins called on a Riverside, Cal., member and left for collection a draft drawn on the First National Bank, Minneapolis, a non-existing bank. About an hour following his transaction, Deveny's employer, a druggist, called the bank and guaranteed the full amount. That night he drew on the account and disappeared. The bank has heard from him since from different parts of the state where he has defrauded different druggists by means of his worthless checks against the Security Savings Bank, Riverside.

FORGED LETTER OF CREDIT

E. L. DIX is presenting a forged letter of credit purporting to be issued by the Farmers Savings Bank, Walla Walla, Wash. This letter shows that Dix has to his credit \$50,000. He poses as a real estate buyer and when closing his deal presents a draft on the Washington bank. A member bank of Pacific Junction, Iowa has suffered a loss through his operations. The Iowa Bankers Association is co-operating in financing an investigation. Dix is 38 years, 5 feet 10 inches, 185 pounds; light complexion, mud color hair, gray blue eyes, long nose with drawn features; wears glasses.

E.L. Dix
Walla Walla.

MABEL ERICKSON. A woman using the name of Erickson has defrauded a Soldier, Iowa, member bank by means of a check bearing the forged signature of their customer. The operator is described as 25 to 27 years, 5 feet 2 or 3 inches, 125 pounds; has dark hair, fair complexion, large gray eyes and a full round face with a slightly Roman nose. The Iowa Bankers Association is co-operating in financing an investigation.

W. P. GOODYEAR, formerly a stock salesman for the Elgin Motor Car Corporation, had an account with a Cedar Rapids, Iowa, member and during the time of the account he indorsed several checks payable to the order of the corporation as their authorized agents and used the funds for his personal wants. It has developed that this operator did not have the authority to indorse these checks and the bank in accepting them has suffered a loss. The Iowa Bankers Association is co-operating in financing an investigation.

JEWISH CHECK RAISER OPERATING

H. GREENBERG. The member banks located in the medium-sized cities of Pennsylvania should watch their customers' checks very closely. At this time there is traveling through the state a Jewish operator who is very clever with the pen and is raising the checks of local merchants and securing the funds from the bank. He is using the old method of securing the original checks from the merchants by telephoning and stating that he is sending a boy to the store to make a dollar purchase and requests that the merchant give the boy their check for \$1 in change as he wishes to send some money to New York and did not have time to buy a money order. The merchant complies with the request, which results in a loss to his bank as the check is altered to a much larger amount. We are unable to supply a description of this operator due to the fact that he has not appeared in any of the transactions.

CLYDE HAMMER, alias Robert Bennett (negro). While engaged as a porter of a Los Angeles apartment house, Hammer stole from one of the tenants several blank checks and a can-



CLYDE HAMMER

celed voucher. He then filled out the stolen checks and forged the owner's signature to them. A local member bank upon receiving the checks through the clearings paid upon them, thereby suffering a loss. Our local detective agents are now engaged in endeavoring to trace Hammer. The California Bankers Association are aiding in financing the investigation. The operator is described as 18 years, 5 feet 11¼ inches, 140 pounds, maroon eyes, black kinky hair. His bertillon measurements are 81.0 87.0 90.7 19.6 15.5 13.5 27.2 12.5 51.3.

R. L. LEWIS has defrauded a member bank of Maud, Okla., by means of two checks bearing the forged signature of their depositor. Lewis is a cotton picker, and is supposed to be slightly deaf.

JIM MALOY. By forging the signature of a wealthy ranch-owner to a check and securing the funds for same from a Big Timber, Mont., member, Maloy has caused this bank to suffer a loss. This check was paid when received through the clearings, so we are only able to give a very meager description, which is as follows: 5 feet 8 or 9 inches, has gray hair; wore heavy glasses and limped badly.

CHARLES MEADIS, alias Charles Medis, has defrauded a Bristow, Okla., member by means of a worthless check. He is 41 years, 6 feet, 145 pounds; slender build, dark eyes, rather prominent nose.

J. C. MORRIS. There is an operator working at this time with a forged letter of introduction purporting to have been signed by an official of the Northern National Bank, Toledo, Ohio. After presenting the letter he will produce a check drawn on the same bank and ask to be accommodated. He is a fraud and is described as 35 to 40 years, 5 feet 7 inches, 135 to 140 pounds, dark brown hair and small light brown mustache. When talking, his head leans to the right side; he squints; very clean cut and nervous.

J. C. Morris
 7 Lively Hundred

R. C. RUSSELL (true name C. D. Russell), alias Rex Russell. In articles published in November, 1912, and July, 1914, of the JOURNAL Supplement we made mention of Russell and his operations. This operator has again taken up his swindling transactions and recently defrauded an Eden, Idaho, member by means of a bogus draft. Russell is a graduate of Knox College, and has a habit of using his fraternity brothers to fur-



R. C. RUSSELL

ther his operations by referring to them for references. He is 35 years, 6 feet, 190 pounds; hair, eyes, and complexion, light; salesman and promotor of publicity campaigns.

FRANK RYAN is issuing checks drawn on the Drovers National Bank, Chicago, purporting to be issued by the Johnston Construction Co. and countersigned Albert Johnston. These checks are all in small amounts, only merchants and café proprietors being victims.

WALTER SANFORD has defrauded a Worcester, Mass., member through one of his swindling transactions. While engaged as an automobile salesman with a local firm, Sanford negotiated with two out-of-town customers. They closed the deal and gave their checks in payment. Immediately after settling with the salesman, it came to their notice that Sanford had misrepresented the project. Thereupon they stopped payment upon their checks. This did not cause Sanford any inconvenience; he was known at the member bank, and when he deposited the checks in question they allowed him to draw on same before they were advised as to the premises.

C. F. VON VERGEN. Member banks handling accounts of Scandinavian customers will do well to be on their guard against an operator who is claiming to be the authorized solicitor of the Anglo-Saxon classics. Von Vergen is causing this firm considerable annoyance, as he makes small collections and then prevails upon one of his customers to indorse his draft against his firm which is always returned unhonored as he is not authorized to draw against them. He is 50 to 55 years, 6 feet 1 inch, 185 pounds; light complexion and has a very distinguished appearance.

W. G. WEST, who represents himself as an oil-well driller, is wanted for defrauding a member bank of El Dorado, Kan.,

W. G. West
W. G. West

by means of a bogus check. He is 45 years, 5 feet 6 or 7 inches, 145 pounds; light gray hair, carries large fur-lined overcoat, and at times wears glasses.

J. W. BUCKLEY, alias H. C. Ball, alias C. W. McDonald. By forging the signature of a Portland, Ore., member, Buckley has victimized the local bank who accepted the check as genuine. He is 34 years, 5 feet 10 inches, 165 pounds; light complexion, sandy hair, blue eyes; slightly stooped shouldered, white spot on pupil right eye, heavy jaws, large mouth, ring finger left hand missing at first joint.

The California Bankers Association and Oregon Bankers Association are co-operating and financing this investigation.

MISSING CERTIFICATES

We have been advised by the Illinois State Bank, Chicago, Ill., that two of their blank certificates of deposit are missing. They are time certificate of deposit No. 269, and demand certificate of deposit No. 193.

Should any information be received relative to these two certificates kindly advise the interested bank.

GENERAL

TWO DIE AFTER BANDITS HOLD UP BANK

Two brothers hold up bank; one killed while endeavoring to escape

A non-member bank at Edison, Wash., was held up by two masked men early on the morning of October 25, 1917, who forced the employees into the vault, gathered up what available funds they could find and fled. Before leaving the bank they fatally wounded one of the bank's customers who endeavored to resist their attack.

An alarm was quickly given and a posse was formed. The robbers were pursued in an auto and when about a half mile from town they were overtaken. A running fight ensued. Earl Spurgeon was killed and his brother Ray shortly after surrendered.

BOGUS OPTICIAN FAILS TO CARRY OUT PLANS AND IS ARRESTED

Dr. R. H. ROGERS, alias Isaac V. Gholson. Using a novel scheme Dr. (?) Rogers appeared in Carmi, Ill., in the early part of October, and called on a local resident. He claimed he was an optician and could perform wonders. He examined his patient and prescribed for her ailment. He so impressed his victim with his powers to cure that he was able to secure a fee of \$75. The patient allowed the "doctor" to fill out the check, which he did, writing in a much larger amount than the fee. He then placed the figures 75 in the proper place and the patient signed the check. So far so good, but the impostor failed to take the bank employee into consideration. The check in its altered form was in due course of time presented at the bank for payment. The teller becoming suspicious telephoned the

customer and learned that the check had been raised, whereupon the check was dishonored and the swindler left the premises. Shortly after this it was learned that Rogers had other victims in the city. His movements were traced and his arrest was effected in Enfield, a nearby city.

HENRY ANDREWS and LEWIS PEBWORTH are under arrest at Isable, Okla., being charged with the hold up perpetrated against a non-member bank of Garvin, Okla. In October, Andrews was tried and convicted on the bank charge and has been sentenced to 20 years in Oklahoma State Penitentiary. Pebworth has secured his release on bonds.

FRANK BARRY and ROBERT JONES are under arrest at Joliet, Ill., charged with holding up a non-member bank of Monce, Ill. The arrest was accomplished by a posse after a short chase followed by the exchange of several shots. Barry is 42 years, 5 feet 6 inches, 135 pounds; has fair complexion, blue eyes, slightly bald, paralysis of right eye; Scotch accent. Jones is 18 years, 5 feet 7 inches, 140 pounds; has fair complexion, blue eyes, dark brown hair; several tattoo marks appear on his right arm; a lady and the initials E. R. S. are the characters appearing.



J. BERESFORD

J. BERESFORD, while being held in jail at San Luis Obispo, Cal., on a bogus check charge, effected his escape and is now a fugitive from justice.

C. F. CAMPBELL, alias E. C. Head. An individual with these names has stolen several blank checks from the book belonging to the Louisville Firestone Coal Company and is passing them among the Denver merchants. The names of the officials of this company have been signed to the check but the bank was able to detect the fraud and therefore did not suffer a loss. The operator is described as 38 years, 5 feet 9 or 10 inches, 150 pounds; slender build, dark complexion.

ANNIE COLLAN (Mrs.). While engaged as janitress for a member bank of Highland Park, Ill., Mrs. Collan found two blank checks in the waste paper. A very foolish idea came into her head and she filled out both checks, forging the signature of the bank's customer to them. These checks were then presented to local merchants; the bank paid upon them when they were received through the clearings. Our Chicago agents suspected this woman, arrangements were made to have her identified. Following her identification, she confessed and was placed under arrest.

BRUCE CONGER is under arrest at Des Moines, Iowa, charged with attempting to defraud a local bank by means of a sight draft drawn on the Metropolitan Bank, St. Paul, Minn.

He has also used the paper of the Night and Day Bank, St. Louis. Both banks have advised that they have returned several drafts of this operator but to their knowledge no bank has suffered a loss.

HAROLD G. CONNELLY, alias Ed. McAllroy, alias Harold McElroy. The Los Angeles police have under arrest an operator using the above-mentioned names. In all his transactions he used checks drawn on a local bank which were worthless. Merchants or individuals were his victims. He is described as 19 years, 5 feet 11 inches, 178 pounds; has brown hair, blue eyes, blind on right eye, mole on right cheek. He has served a term of 2½ years at the Georgetown Home for Incurable Boys and also 1½ years at the Ione Reform School. He is being held for the superior court.

T. J. DONOHUE. On October 24, 1917, Donohue was arrested by the San Francisco police on a charge of issuing bogus checks to a local firm. Donohue was passing checks drawn on the McCammon State Bank, McCammon, Idaho, where he did not have an account.



C. E. GILBREATH

CLAUDE EDWIN GILBREATH, alias Lieut. Jas. E. Bassett, alias Lieut. James E. Statler, alias C. E. Gilbert. Shortly after registering at a prominent hotel as Lieut. James E. Statler, this operator was arrested by the local police on a charge of passing bogus checks. As he was representing himself to be an army officer he has been given in custody of the Federal authorities. In most of his check transactions, he has used checks drawn on the Boatmen's Bank, St. Louis, Mo. This is not the first time that Gilbreath has been in trouble on check charges. In January, 1916, he was sentenced to Buena Vista, Texas, for an indeterminate term of 1 to 14 years. After serving one year, he was released on parole, only to take up the check work again.



MAURICE GOFF

MAURICE GOFF. On June 20, 1917, a non-member bank at Keyes, Cal., was held up and the cashier killed. Representatives of our San Francisco detective agents were requested

investigate the matter. Shortly after the hold up and murder Maurice Goff was arrested and charged with the crime. From the evidence secured Goff was tried and convicted and on October 24, 1917, was found guilty of murder in the first degree and sentenced to life imprisonment. On October 31, while waiting to be taken to the penitentiary, Goff, aided by another prisoner, effected his escape and is now a fugitive from justice. This investigation was financed by the California Bankers Association, as the bank was not a member of the A. B. A.

W. S. HENRY, alias W. T. Henry, alias W. H. Snyder, alias T. M. Hoffman. This operator has been representing himself to be the state agent for the Reserve Loan Insurance Company, Indianapolis, Ind. In his transactions he has drawn bogus checks against the following banks: First National and McClean County State Bank, Bloomington, Ill.; Morton (Ill.) State Bank, Citizens State Bank, Maroa, Ill., and the Peoples State Bank, Atlanta, Ill. On November 1, the authorities of Charles, Ill., effected the arrest of Henry, who is described as 49 years, 6 feet, 190 pounds; has black hair, graying, brown eyes. Any information concerning this operator should be forwarded to the sheriff at Charles.

DOROTHY JOYCE is negotiating bogus drafts purporting to have been issued by the Fourth National Bank, Wichita, Kan., or the National Bank of Commerce, St. Louis, Mo. To one of the drafts cashed in Detroit, Mich., the woman operator forged the signature of an official of the first-named bank. All members should be on their guard against the woman.

Dorothy Joyce

H. E. KISSINGER, alias J. V. Spencer, arrested on July 25, 1917, through information furnished by our Portland detective agents, was on October 22 found guilty of uttering and passing a forged instrument. He was sentenced to serve 9 months in the Oregon State Penitentiary, Salem, Ore.

IKE NEWMARK, alias R. Miller, etc. This operator, in company of Marion Bassett, was arrested on October 27, 1917, by the Chicago police, charged with passing checks drawn on the Rogers Park Bank, Chicago, where they did not have an account. Checks on the Continental and Commercial Bank and the Danville National Bank have also been used in their transactions. These checks were usually made payable to the women and purported to be issued by G. W. Farnsworth. Newmark is an ex-convict, having served time at Blackwell's Island, New York, and Sing Sing Prison, Ossining, N. Y., and is now wanted at the latter place for parole violation. He is 36 years, 5 feet 9¼ inches, 175 pounds; has dark mustache, brown spot or mole on lower lip. He has used the names of E. Harris, G. Farnsworth.

ROBERT PRIOR. While engaged as a teamster for a Esterville, Iowa, transfer firm Prior forged their names to several checks and presented them to various merchants, claiming the checks to be pay checks. He is described as 23 years, 5 feet 7 inches, 150 pounds; square shoulders, full chested, medium complexion and a peculiar shaped eye.

PURDY, ESTELLE R. alias Miss S. K. Forte. Our detective agents have been having considerable difficulty in convincing Miss Purdy that it is not a profitable business to issue bogus and forged checks. Last month this operator defrauded a Baltimore member by means of a bogus check drawn on an out-of-town bank. Our Baltimore detective agents effected her

arrest. A few days later she secured her release by making restitution, following the district attorney's refusal to prosecute. On November 7, 1917, our agents again report her arrest, this time by the local authorities on a charge of forgery. The victim this time was a merchant. Every possible means are being used to secure a heavy sentence for her.

Miss E. R. Purdy

C. A. SANDIDGE. Styling himself to be C. A. Sandidge, a man called at a Sedalia, Mo., member bank and presented a check payable to himself. As the operator was unable to identify himself, he left the check for collection. The check in question was sent forward and in due time the proper credit was received. The operator was given the funds. Subsequent events have proven that this check was stolen from the mails and that the check was intended for a woman rather than a man. The operator is described as 23 years, 5 feet 6 or 7 inches, 130 pounds; light complexion, high cheek bones.

H. W. SCHAAF is traveling about the western states claiming to be a representative of the Crown Cork & Seal Co., and is securing funds on his bogus checks drawn on the Central National Bank, Junction City, Kan. Early in September the duly authorized agent of this firm was robbed of his sample case while stopping at a Kansas City Hotel. It is this case that Schaaf uses in aiding him in securing his victims. This operator is also drawing drafts against the American State Bank, Wichita, Kan., several blank drafts having been left in the stolen sample case. We have been unable to secure a description of the operator.

H. W. Schaaf

D. W. SNYDER has been drawing checks on the First National Bank, Harlem, Mont. He is 35 years, 5 feet 6 inches, 150 pounds; has dark complexion, brown eyes.



JENKS STARLING

JENKS STARLING, alleged bank robber, wanted in four states on various charges, was arrested at Morris, Okla., by Deputy-Sheriff W. L. Robbins, of Okmulgee. It is alleged that Starling was a leader of a band of yeggmen who preyed on banks and post-offices in Texas, Missouri and Illinois. He is being held for an attempted burglary on a non-member bank at Glen Rose, Tex.

JOHN J. SULLIVAN, JR. has forged the signature of his mother to a check and secured the funds from a Cambridge, Mass., member. Sullivan has been attending an aviation training camp, and it is alleged that he has been appearing in the uniform of a United States army officer. He is described as 22 years, 5 feet 8 inches, 155 to 160 pounds; light complexion.

John J. Sullivan Jr

JOHN E. THOMPSON. Numerous hotels and merchants are numbered among Thompson's victims. He has been issuing checks against a closed account, using the paper of the American Trust Co., Coeur-D'Alene, Idaho. On November 7, 1917, Thompson was arrested by the Seattle police. He will be tried on a local charge.

JAS. B. WEAVER, alias J. O. Williams, is a printer by occupation, but recently he has been using his old trade to aid him in his new branch of endeavors. He secures employment as a typesetter and claims to be a member of the International Typographical Union. After establishing himself in the community, he presents a certified check, usually on a foreign bank, and, as a rule, has no trouble in obtaining his employer's indorsement on its back. His checks are usually drawn against the City Hall Bank, Cincinnati, Ohio. He also produced a forged letter purporting to be signed by a former employer, requesting his services and advises that he was enclosing a certified check for his expenses. He is 46 years, 6 feet 2 inches, 155 pounds; black hair and mustache.

*Jas. B Weaver
Seventy-Five
Jas B Weaver*

CHARLES WHEELER, alias Homer Baker, alias H. Baker, alias Albert R. Reid, alias E. J. Walker, is under arrest at Portland, Ore. Some time ago our local detective agents were advised that Walker was operating in the west with bogus checks on the First State Bank, Pawnee City, Neb., and was finding many victims among the merchants. A circular was sent out by our agents. When Wheeler sent his 13-year-old daughter into a Portland store to secure the cash on one of his bogus checks, she was recognized and held. After waiting for some time, Wheeler's heart softened, so he, too, entered the store, not to cash a check but to locate his daughter. He made several inquiries which resulted in his arrest. He is being held, awaiting the action of his numerous victims. His description is 40 years, 5 feet 7½ inches, 150 to 160 pounds; medium dark complexion, dark brown hair, gray eyes.

W. R. WILLIAMS. An operator in some manner has secured possession of a check book containing an old form of checks used by the First & Old Detroit National, Detroit, and is defrauding merchants of the southern states. He has used the following aliases: Wm. Williams, W. J. Williams, Walter J. Williams and Wm. Robert Williams.

LOST BONDS

We have been requested to report the loss of the following securities. Should they come to your notice, we should be advised immediately so as to enable the proper owner to take the necessary steps to recover.

- \$3,000 Roxborough, Chestnut Hill & Morristown Ry. Co., 1st 5s, due 1926, Nos. 121-122-357.
- \$2,300 United Traction Co. of Reading, 1st 5s, due 1926, Nos. 101-102 for \$1,000 each, and Nos. 146-147-148 for \$100 each.

LIBERTY LOAN BONDS LOST

A New York city firm has requested that we report the loss of 100 4% \$100 Second Liberty Loan Bonds, missed from their office on November 21, 1917. They have offered a liberal reward for their return or for information resulting in their recovery.

The numbers of the lost bonds are: Nos. 888801 to 888900 inclusive.

Kindly notify this department should any of these bonds come to your attention.

STOLEN BONDS

We are in receipt of information that a bank member at Minooka, Ill., was recently burglarized, and among other things taken, were five bonds of Joliet, Ill., concerns, as follows:

Nos. 178 and 310 of the Joliet Bridge & Iron Co., First and Refunding Gold 6 per cent. Bond issue, dated May 1, 1912, and due May 1, 1922, \$500 each.

Nos. 20, 24 and 27 of the National Carton Co., Real Estate Gold 6 per cent. Bond issue, dated July 1, 1911, and due serially Jan. 1, 1918, Jan. 1, 1919, and Jan. 1, 1920, respectively, \$500 each.

Any information relative to these bonds should be promptly reported either to this Department or the Burns Agency.

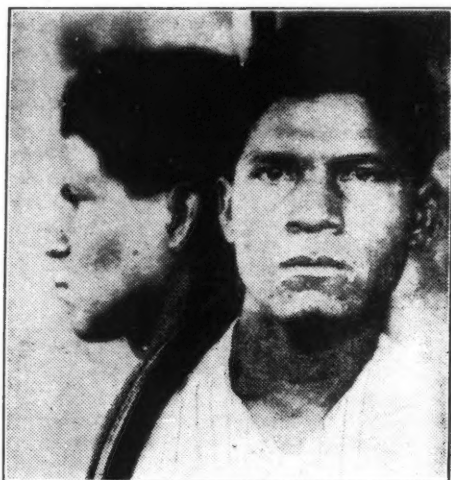
ARRESTED

MEXICAN BANDITS CAPTURED

Two Mexican hold-up men arrested and convicted—the third escaped

The three Mexican bad men who attempted to rob the Buckeye Valley Bank, Buckeye, Ariz., met with a disastrous ending for two of them.

On the morning of August 26, 1917, the cashier of this bank was awakened by three masked men and compelled to take them to the bank, where he was asked to open the vault. He explained to the bandits that the vault was operated with a time lock and that it was impossible to open it. The bandits persisted in their demands and gave Mr. Watson five minutes to comply with their request. In the meanwhile Mrs. Watson had been busily



MIGUEL OZUNA

engaged in summoning aid and just before the five minute ultimatum terminated someone drove up in an automobile and turned their lights into the bank. This occurrence drew the bandits' attention for an instant and a battle royal took place between Mr. Watson and the three Mexicans. One shot was fired but did not take effect. The bandits escaped from the bank but were shortly afterward overtaken by a posse. Miguel Ozuna and Ramon Badilla were captured. They claimed that Jose W. Maycote, the other member, who was on guard outside the bank, made good his escape before assistance arrived. The



RAMON BADILLA

two captured bandits received a speedy trial and were sentenced to the State Penitentiary. Ozuna is 28 years, 5 feet 7 inches, 133½ pounds; has dark complexion, black hair, dark brown eyes, low forehead, and a sullen expression. Badillo is 15 years, 5 feet 1¾ inches, 110 pounds; has dark complexion, black hair, dark brown eyes. Maycote the missing member of the gang is 22 years, 5 feet 6 inches, 140 pounds; has a stubby beard, short mustache, a mole on the right side of his face and a scar over the left ear.



HARRY VON FELDERN

BOGUS SECRET SERVICE AGENT APPREHENDED

Swindler posing as a Government agent is arrested by an authorized agent

The many victims of Harry Von Feldern, alias Charles K. Green, alias P. Peiper, will be interested to learn of the arrest of this individual who traveled throughout the eastern and middle western states, finding victims with his bogus checks drawn on the City National Bank, Columbus, Ohio. Von Feldern had a very novel scheme; on all his checks he placed what purported to be a seal of the Secret Service and with his checks thus marked, he did not experience any difficulty in obtaining funds.

His arrest is due to the excellent work of a government agent stationed at St. Louis. Von Feldern is 32 years, 5 feet 8½ inches, 135 pounds; slender build, blue eyes, medium light chestnut hair, fair complexion; German by birth and waiter by occupation. Bertillon measurements, 72.6 79.0 95.5 18.1 14.4 6.6 13.2 26.8 11.9 9.4 47.2

EDWARD BARCLAY, alias Roy Benson. Being familiar with the account of a customer of a Wagner, So. Dak., member bank, Barclay was able to forge this customer's signature to a check which he presented to a member and received the funds from same, thereby victimizing the member. Our detective agents were notified, but the local authorities were successful in apprehending Barclay before they could reach the scene of action. Barclay is 18 years, 5 feet 6 inches, 140 pounds; red hair and dresses very neatly.

GEORGE H. BENDER. Through information supplied to the authorities of Lewiston, Mont., by our Spokane detective agents, Bender was arrested at Cash, N. Dak., and is now waiting trial at Lewiston for defrauding a local member bank. Bender was able to defraud our member by forging the signature of one of their good customers to a check, which they paid before discovering the fraud. He is 26 years, 5 feet 6 inches, 140 pounds; has blue eyes, brown yellowish hair; face is pockmarked, has a scar on his lower lip.

JULIUS CARDEN. For several months we have been carrying this individual as awaiting trial in connection with a hold up of a member bank located at Heavener, Okla., he having secured his release on bond. Quite recently several armed men entered the Bank of Glenwood, Ark., and held up the employees, escaping with all the available funds. On November 18, a posse led by Sheriff H. W. Finger surrounded a house near Mena, Ark., and when he endeavored to escape was shot and seriously wounded. Following his capture he was positively identified by the cashier of the bank.

HYMAN H. CHRISTMAS, alias Ozier A. Mabry. At the request of a Greenville, S. C., member, Christmas under the alias of Mabry was placed under arrest by the New York authorities, charged with obtaining money by fraudulent telegrams. When Christmas was arraigned the Assistant District Attorney learned that the testifying witness was absent; he therefore dismissed the case and turned this individual over to the Federal authorities on a desertion charge. Christmas has been returned to Greenville for court-martial.

H. MILTON CLARK, alias B. F. Carter. Several banks and many merchants are listed among Clark's victims. For several weeks Clark traveled in and about the states of Missouri and Oklahoma issuing bogus checks purporting to be signed by one J. C. Radford, payable to B. F. Carter. A member bank of Kansas City, Mo., accepted one of the checks as genuine and thereby suffered a loss. Our Kansas City detective agents while investigating the case learned that Clark had been arrested in Omaha, Neb., while negotiating with a local printer for a new supply of blank checks. He is described as 27 years, 5 feet 9 or 10 inches, 140 pounds; has brown hair, medium complexion.



O. H. COLLINS

OLIVER H. COLLINS, alias Oliver H. Summers. Succeeding in securing a small sum of money by means of a forged indorsement on a note, Collins victimized an Alexandria, Ind., member. Our St. Louis detective agents were notified and after a two-day investigation effected his arrest. He will be returned to Alexandria for trial. His description is 22 years, 5 feet 10 inches, 160 pounds; has medium complexion, dark eyes, black hair, coarse features and very thick lips.



GEO. W. DEZELL

ARREST BOGUS DRAFT SWINDLER

Louisville police arrest operator wanted for defrauding numerous hotels

Hotel proprietors of the eastern and middle western states can again handle drafts, drawn against two San Francisco banks with New York depositories, without fear of being defrauded. Just recently this operator, known to us as H. O. Cooper, C. H.

Hoover, etc., defrauded two New York member banks who paid upon bogus drafts received from various hotels in the east. Our detective agents were notified and they circularized all the principal hotels in the United States warning them of Cooper's operations. On October 26, 1917, this operator using the name of G. W. Dezell endeavored to swindle a Louisville, Ky., hotel. Our agents' warning circular had proceeded him and being recognized by the clerk, his arrest followed. He has used the aliases of E. H. Hoover, W. A. Dezell, H. C. Cooper, H. C. Moore, D. C. King, J. O. Lansing. On October 31, 1917, he was taken into custody by the Indianapolis police to be tried on a forgery charge. He is described as 52 years, 5 feet 7½ inches, 205 pounds; stout build, fair complexion, gray hair, light gray eyes. His bertillon measurements are 71.0 74.0 93.6 19.6 16.0 15.1 6.8 24.1 10.7 8.5 45.3.

T. H. DOUGLAS, alias Lieut. W. A. Stokes, alias Norman Carver, etc., is again in custody. Douglas has had rather a checkered career. Just recently our Los Angeles detective agents effected his arrest but before any action could be taken he escaped from the military authorities. The credit for this last arrest is due the post-office inspector located at Santa Barbara, Cal. An article describing this individual's transactions appears in the last issue of the JOURNAL Supplement. The California Bankers Association co-operated in this investigation by assisting in financing same.

P. R. GARRETT. Through information supplied to our Dallas detective agents by a Duncan, Okla., member bank, Garrett was located and his arrest effected. The authorities of Denton, Texas, aided in the arrest. An article appearing in the December, 1915, issue, page 88, of the JOURNAL Supplement sets forth the transaction by which Garrett defrauded a Duncan member. He will be returned to Duncan for trial.

P. A. GUNDER. Using a check of the firm in which he held a partnership Gunder countersigned same and deposited the proceeds with a Waterloo member. Later he withdrew the funds and used them for his personal wants. The injured member paid on this check before being advised that payment had been stopped and thereby suffered a loss. The members of Gunder's firm had an agreement that their account could only be used for the business of the company and not individually. When they discovered Gunder's act they stopped payment on the check in question. A representative of our Chicago detective agents placed this matter under investigation and finally effected Gunder's arrest at Nevada, Iowa, aided by the local sheriff. He is 24 years, 5 feet 7 inches, 160 pounds; has dark hair, dark eyes, dark complexion, stooped shoulders and prominent cheek bones. The Iowa Bankers Association aided in financing the investigation.

W. H. HINES, alias Wm. Norman, is under arrest at Indianapolis, charged with attempting to defraud a Kansas City, Mo., member. Hines, while in the employ of a local automobile concern, forged the signature of the proprietor to a large check and deposited same with the interested member for collection. It was only by mere chance that the fraud was discovered before the bank suffered a loss. Our Chicago detective agents were notified and their representative located Hines at Oaklandon, Ind. This information was supplied to the authorities, and his arrest followed. He will be returned to Kansas City for trial.

J. S. HORRIGAN has been arrested at Portland, Ore., by the local authorities upon information supplied by our detective agents at that point. Horrigan successfully operated against a

local member, using a worthless check drawn on the Multnomah State Bank, Portland. He is 30 years, 5 feet 6 inches, 140 pounds; has dark complexion. The Oregon Bankers Association co-operated in this investigation by assisting in financing same.

W. A. JOHNSON. After calling on a member bank at Littleton, Colo., and receiving funds from a check drawn on the Stoneham, Colo., State Bank, which proved to be bogus, Johnson defrauded this member. The bank upon learning that they had been victimized, notified their authorities, who effected Johnson's arrest in very short order. Following his arrest, he confessed to having passed checks in Fort Lupton, Loveland, and Fort Collins.

J. LINOID, alias C. E. Tabler, is under arrest at Exeter, Cal., for issuing checks against the First National Bank of that city. Linoid's arrest was effected through the activities of our San Francisco and Los Angeles detective agents. The California Bankers Association co-operated with this association in financing the investigation. This operator is described as 30 years, 5 feet 11 inches, 180 pounds; has a dissipated appearance. In March, 1913, we published an article in the *JOURNAL* Supplement concerning this operator.

LIEUT. ADRIAN M. MAYER. This is another case of an operator taking advantage of the public's patriotism and using the uniform of a United States Army officer to further his operations. Mayer enlisted in the army only to desert a few days afterwards. Taking advantage of his training, he secured a lieutenant's uniform and took up check passing as a means of securing funds. He traveled throughout Missouri and Kansas, finding many victims with his checks drawn on the First National Bank, Manhattan, Kan. Our Kansas City detective agents circularized the banks in the territory that Mayer was working. Mayer overstepped himself, and in his profound patriotism purchased several hundred dollars' worth of Liberty Bonds with one of his bogus checks. At the time, the purchase was made he was confined in a local hospital undergoing a dangerous operation. Consequently the Federal authorities had no trouble in locating him and effecting his arrest. He will be tried on an impersonation charge and then must answer for the check charge.

SIDNEY MOORE. While engaged as an assistant steward on a river boat plying between San Francisco and Napa, Cal., Moore found time enough to forge the customer's signature of a Sebastopol, Cal., member to two checks and present them at the bank, where he received payment on both. When the bank discovered the fraud, our San Francisco agents placed the matter under investigation, the expenses of same being prorated between the California Bankers Association and the American Bankers Association. Moore was located on the S.S. "Napa Valley," and his arrest was effected by our agents aided by the San Francisco police. He will be returned to Sebastopol for trial.

IVAN PAVLAVITZ has a new way of collecting debts. However, his method was not in accordance with the Penal Code of Ohio, therefore he is awaiting action of the Grand Jury. Early in October an Akron, Ohio, member paid on a small check presented by the son of one of their depositors. This check was charged to the father's account, but when the statement was shown him he immediately declared the check in question to be a forgery. Our Cleveland agents were notified and while they were investigating the matter, an employee of the bank, while engaged on outside business, chanced to encounter young Pavlavitz and caused his arrest. Our agents upon questioning this young man were informed that his father owed him the amount of the check, and that he was determined to get it. His offer of restitution was not considered by the injured member and his case will be pushed.

N. J. PETERSON. Claiming to have authority to draw against a nursery firm which he represented, Peterson was able to defraud a member bank of Cut Bank, Mont., as they honored his draft and suffered a loss when same was returned unpaid. Our Spokane detective agents were called in on the case but due to the long distance to travel the operator was apprehended before their representative reached the scene of the crime. Peterson will be returned to Cut Bank for trial.

PURDY, ESTELLE R. (Miss). Awaiting her opportunity, Miss Purdy appeared at the paying teller's window of a Baltimore member during the time of a great rush and succeeded in securing the funds on a check drawn against the Annapolis Banking & Trust Co. When this check was returned as worthless, a representative of our Baltimore detective agents located Miss Purdy in Baltimore, and her arrest was effected through the aid of the local police.

GERALD RICE, alias E. T. Gordon, alias G. A. Ripley, etc., is again in trouble. Following Rice's arrest on August 5, 1916 for passing worthless checks he was convicted and given a suspended sentence of 1 to 5 years, providing complete restitution was made. On November 3, 1917, Rice was again arrested charged with having failed to live up to the rules of his probation. Our agents at Portland were advised that a warrant had been issued and with the aid of the local police soon located Rice and held him for a member bank at Tacoma, Wash.

HOMER F. ROTH. Using his business position as an automobile dealer, Roth attempted to swindle a Goshen, Ind., member by gaining the confidence of the officials and then depositing bogus checks, hoping to be allowed to draw against them. In the attempt in question a check drawn on the Berrien County Bank, Benton Harbor, Mich., purporting to be issued by the A. R. Baker Sand Company was used. This check was returned, but Roth insisted that it was good. The bank, however, refused to allow him to draw on it and notified our Chicago detective agents. Their representative, upon examining the check in question readily determined that Roth was responsible for same. After considerable questioning, Roth confessed and was held for trial. This is not the first time that Roth has been in trouble of a like nature, but in every instance he has been able to avoid prosecution. He will not be so fortunate on this occasion as the bank has promised to push the case.

FRED SANDEN. A member bank located at Cut Bank, Mont., was defrauded by Sanden when they paid on a check, received through the clearings, which had the forged signature of their customer. Upon discovering the fraud, our Seattle detective agents were notified. They learned that Sanden was in the vicinity of Roslyn, Wash. Following a short investigation, Sanden was located while visiting relatives, and his arrest was effected through the assistance of the local sheriff. He is 30 years, 5 feet 9 inches, 175 pounds; has dark red hair, prominent ears, face slightly freckled, and the index finger on the right hand missing from the middle joint.

GEORGE B. SHOE. Due to the theft of a pay check issued by the Goodrich Tire & Rubber Co., Akron, Ohio, a local member was defrauded by accepting same, which bore the forged signature of the payee. The operator, who was an employee of the Akron firm, was engaged upon duties that gave him access to the mails. He removed the check in question, forged the indorsement of the payee, and then deposited the check with the interested member. Several days later he withdrew practically the entire amount, leaving a very small balance. The case was reported to our Cleveland detective agents and their representative upon learning that the operator was left-handed soon located Shoe. He was placed under investigation which devel-

oped facts that warranted him being questioned. After several hours grilling Shoe confessed to the operation and others. Following his confession he was placed under arrest and at the time of his arraignment pleaded guilty.

R. S. SIMPSON (true name Irving Kyle) has started in with a criminal career at an early age of 17, and successfully operated against a Tulsa, Okla., member, using a forged check in the transaction. The Oklahoma City representative of our Kansas City detective agents investigated the matter and finally learned that Kyle, alias Simpson was the operator. He proceeded to locate Kyle and after a lengthy course of questioning, Kyle confessed to the deed. He is 17 years, 5 feet 7 inches, 135 pounds; has blue eyes and medium complexion.

LEROY C. SMITH is under military arrest at Fort Sheridan, where he is in a very serious condition due to a gunshot wound inflicted by the local authorities at the time he was found in the act of stealing an automobile. Our interest centers in Smith due to the fact that he stole a check intended for a local merchant and after forging the payee's indorsement secured the funds on same from a Highland Park, Ill., member. Representatives of our Chicago detective agents traced the forgery to Smith and located him in the military hospital. Smith is being held on a desertion charge; the chances for his recovery are very slight. Smith is 22 years, 135 pounds; has light complexion, dark hair, dark eyes and small; appears to be of a weak character and a natural born criminal.

W. C. (BILL) TIDWELL. In August, 1916, a member bank of Crowder, Okla., was held up by a band of five bandits. The capture of four of the bandits was effected shortly afterwards. Two have been convicted and sentenced—one is awaiting trial, and the other secured his freedom due to insufficient evidence to convict. Of the five, Tidwell was the only one to remain at liberty any length of time. Following the crime he fled to the mountains in Pushmataha County, Okla., where he assumed the alias of Will Taylor and married a woman of that vicinity. Early in September his arrest was caused by Sheriff Dell Wilson and Rural Taylor. He has been returned to Crowder to stand trial.

EFFICIENCY LECTURER IN CUSTODY

J. LEROY TOPE, whom we mentioned in the last issue of the JOURNAL Supplement, is under arrest at Muskegon, Mich., and is being held for the Joliet, Ill., police, who want him for defrauding a local member bank. Tope has traveled throughout the East, speaking before local Chambers of Commerce on a subject dealing with the results of efficiency.



HERBERT B. SANSOM

HERBERT B. SANSOM, alias Herndon MacNeil. During the time that this operator was engaged as an employee of an Arizona bank he became familiar with several accounts.

After leaving this bank's employ Sansom, under the alias of Herndon MacNeil, proceeded to Los Angeles, where he opened an account with a local member bank, using in the transaction a check drawn on the Arizona bank which bore the forged signature of one of their large depositors. The bank accepted this

Herndon MacNeil

check for collection and sent it through the proper channels. The Arizona bank discovered the fraud and immediately notified the California bank. In the meanwhile Sansom, alias MacNeil had left Los Angeles and proceeded to San Diego, Cal., where he sent in another check, this time drawn on a Cleveland bank. Following the discovery of the attempted fraud the California bank notified our Los Angeles detective agents who immediately dispatched a representative to San Diego. After a short investigation a negro informant was located who it was claimed had considerable information concerning the operator. He was held for investigation and after several hours of questioning informed our agent that MacNeil's true name was Sansom, that he was a clever forger, and that for several months he (Wright) had been blackmailing Sansom as he was familiar with his past life and operations. After a good deal of persuasion Wright gave out the information where Sansom might be found. Acting upon this information, our agents at San Francisco aided by the local authorities located Sansom on Angel Island where he was stationed, following his enlistment in the Army. He has been returned to Los Angeles for trial.

HARRY SWARTZ. While engaged in a game of chance, Swartz ran short of funds, whereupon he drew a draft on a Tulsa, Okla., firm which was honored by a Okmulgee, Okla., member. This draft was returned unhonored for the reason that Swartz did not have the authority to draw on the firm. A representative of our Kansas City detective agents, while investigating the case learned that Swartz was making a certain Tulsa hotel his headquarters. He proceeded to this point and, aided by the local authorities, effected his arrest.

NG. YUNG (Chinese). By securing possession of his friend's pass book and a key to a safe deposit box, Yung defrauded two San Francisco members by representing himself to be their customer. In the bank where the savings account was held Yung made a deposit in the name of his friend and then several days afterwards closed out the account. He did not experience any difficulty in his transaction as he had gained the bank's confidence. In using the key, Yung was able to gain entrance to the box containing his friend's securities. Our San Francisco detective agents upon taking up the case, suspected Yung. After a day's work, he was located and confessed, his arrest being effected by our agents. The California Bankers Association co-operated in financing the investigation.

REMOVED

EDWARD BARCLAY plead guilty to forgery and due to his age was sentenced to the State Reformatory, Plankinton, S. Dak. He has since effected his escape from this institution.

RAMON BADILLO on October 2, 1917, pleaded guilty to a hold-up charge and was sentenced to 20 years to life in the Arizona State Penitentiary, Florence, Ariz.

OTTO F. BRODER. Following Broder's conviction for forgery he was paroled to the probation officer in Detroit for a period of two years. He is reporting regularly.

S. A. BRADY has been released due to insufficient evidence to convict.

W. F. BUNTIN. Being charged with forgery, Buntin entered a plea of guilty and was sentenced to a term of 2 years in the State Penitentiary, McAlester, Okla.

GRADY CARDEN (carried as Carsen) was released due to insufficient evidence to convict.

E. A. COHN. After being arrested for swindle perpetrated against a Sharon Springs, Kans., member, Cohn was allowed to make restitution and was released from custody.

JAMES R. CRAUN. Following his release on bonds while awaiting trial Craun was permitted to make restitution and the case against him was dismissed.

OTIS COBB entered a plea of guilty and on October 29, 1917, was sentenced to an indeterminate term at the New York State Reformatory, Elmira, N. Y.

H. MILTON CLARK. Upon being returned to Kansas City to answer a charge of issuing bogus checks, Clark secured his release on bonds and has forfeited same. He is now a fugitive from justice.

HENRY L. EICHLER plead guilty to a forgery charge and was given a suspended sentence of 2 years, being placed in charge of a probation officer.

C. G. FROSELL, arrested in New York, has been sentenced to an indeterminate term at Blackwell's Island Penitentiary, New York, N. Y.

LEE FULBRIGHT (colored) following a trial was declared not guilty and was released.

SAM GOETEL has been convicted on a forgery charge and received a sentence of 10 years in the State Penitentiary, Fort Madison, Iowa.

DR. S. C. GOLDBERG. Following Goldberg's arrest in Philadelphia, he was released on bond while awaiting extradition proceedings. He has since forfeited his bond and has been declared a fugitive from justice.

WILLIAM HAYDEN, alias D. Price, alias J. B. Howell, etc., entered a plea of guilty to passing a forged check and was sentenced to a term of 2 to 10 years in the Oregon State Penitentiary. He was immediately placed on parole, his attorney being instructed to make restitution. Hayden is being held in custody awaiting the readjustment of the claim against him.

JOE HARDIN, charged with disposing of mortgaged property plead guilty and was sentenced to 18 months in the Oklahoma State Penitentiary, McAlester, Okla.

JAMES S. HUNT was convicted of forgery and sentenced to a term of 1 year in the County Jail at Detroit. After serving 3 weeks of his sentence he secured his release on parole.

J. W. HUDDLESTON has been convicted for forgery and is now serving 3 years in the State Penitentiary, McAlester, Okla.

ALLIE HODGE. Following Hodge's arrest he was returned to Oakland County, Mich. Upon placing the facts of the case under examination it was ascertained that the crime was committed at Cario, Ill., and that the Oakland County officials had no jurisdiction in the matter. This being the case Hodge was

permitted to make complete restitution and was released from custody.

E. N. HOLLEN. Due to the peculiar circumstances surrounding this case the Prosecuting Attorney has found it necessary to drop the case against Hollen, inasmuch as the affidavit charging Hollen with forgery has been repudiated.

HARRY JOHNSON pleaded guilty to a forgery charge and was sentenced to a term of 2 years in the West Virginia State Penitentiary, Moundsville, W. Va.

GEORGE W. LAWLESS. Following his arrest he was convicted of forgery and given a suspended sentence. Upon being released he was immediately rearrested for the Cleveland authorities, who wanted him for issuing bogus checks.

J. A. MILLIGAN, alias James A. Miller, etc., was on November 6, 1917, sentenced to 2 years in the Texas State Penitentiary, Huntsville, Texas. There is one more charge of forgery outstanding against Milligan, which he will have to answer before proceeding to Huntsville.

J. DAWSON MATHEWS has been convicted in connection with the issuing of bogus certificates of deposit and was sentenced to a term of 18 months in State Penitentiary, McAlester, Okla. He has taken his case to the Court of Appeals and is out on bond awaiting a decision.

LIEUT. ADRIAN M. MAYER was on November 15, 1917, sentenced to a term of 2 years in the Federal Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kan.

MIGUEL OZUNA on October 2, 1917, entered a plea of guilty on a charge of holding up a bank and was sentenced to the Arizona State Penitentiary for the rest of his natural life.

PURDY, ESTELLE R. (Miss.) has been released following the refusal of the prosecuting attorney to prosecute upon being advised that complete restitution had been made.

PHIPPS, NELSON (Miss). Entering a plea of guilty to check raising and forgery, Miss Phipps was paroled to the County Commissioner of Calvert County, Maryland for a period of 2 years.

THOMAS W. PATTON has been sentenced to the Southern Illinois Penitentiary, Chester, Ill., for a term of 5 years. One of the charges against him is bigamy.

GERALD A. RICE whose arrest has been reported elsewhere in this issue has been released by the prosecuting attorney following his agreement to fulfill the articles of his probation, he having been rearrested for violation of his parole.

FRED SCHAFFER on June 12, 1917, was released on \$300 bonds and immediately forfeited same and is now classed as a fugitive from justice.

HEBER B. SCHULTHESS has been convicted for forgery and sentenced to an indeterminate term in the State Penitentiary, Salt Lake City, Utah.

W. C. (Bill) TIDWELL mentioned elsewhere in this issue pleaded guilty to six charges against him and received sentences aggregating 67 years. The sentences were made concurrent and by good behavior, Tidwell may secure his release in 16 years and 25 days. He is now 47 years of age.

FRED. VON VOORST entered a plea of guilty and was given a suspended sentence, having to report every 30 days to the probation officer of Marion County, Ind.

CLAUDE H. WETMORE. By the recommendation of the Circuit Attorney, the charges of forgery preferred against Wetmore were dropped and upon making complete restitution he was released.

PHILIP WACHTER. Following Wachter's arrest and trial by the Reading, Pa., authorities he was sentenced to a term of 1 year in the Berks County Prison. A detainer warrant has been lodged with the chief of police so as to hold him on our charge. Inasmuch as Wachter has been convicted and it would be necessary for us to carry his name as awaiting trial for 1 year before our case could be reached, we are carrying his case as removed.

AUGUST WALTERS pleaded guilty to a charge of forgery and was sentenced to 9 months at the South Dakota State Penitentiary, Sioux Falls, S. Dak.

AWAITING ACTION

LEGED FORGERIES AND SWINDLES

- Bachrack, Morris, forgery, Wilkes-Barre, Pa.
 Bacon, Floyd C., forgery, Conneaut, Ohio.
 Barker, Charles H., forgery, Pontiac, Ill.
 Baughman, A. H., swindle, Tulsa, Okla.
 Bender, George H., forgery, Lewiston, Mont.
 Benson, Fred, forgery, Elgin, Ill.
 Blackwell, Percy, worthless checks, Beckley, W. Va.
 Bland, W. F., bogus certificate of deposit, Yale, Okla.
 Blankman, David, forgeries, Boston, Mass.
 Boxley, P. H., bogus certificate of deposit, Hugo, Okla.
 Brock, J. A., forgery, Antlers, Okla.
 Buchanan, Francis, forgery, Pontiac, Ill.
 Buchanan, H. A., forgery, Oklahoma City, Okla.
 Buckles, Charles, forgery, Caruthersville, Mo.
 Buckley, J. W., forgery, Portland, Ore.
 Bunch, Essie, forgery, Memphis, Tenn.
 Bundy, H. C., forgery, San Francisco, Cal.
 Burger, Otto, forgery, Chester, Pa.
 Burton, Vincent, directory swindle, Brooklyn, N. Y.
 Campbell, George, forgery, Beckley, W. Va.
 Carter, Dave, forgery, Houston, Tex.
 Charles, W. W., mortgage swindle, Miami, Fla.
 Chippenfield, Austin B., forgery, Mound City, W. Va.
 Chisholm, Frank, forgery, New York, N. Y.
 Christmas, Hyman H., forged telegram, Greenville, S. C.
 Churchill, Roy, forgery, Amarillo, Tex.
 Cogswell, A. J., forgery, New York, N. Y.
 Cole, W. R., attempt to swindle, Alexandria, La.
 Collins, Oliver H., forged endorsement, Alexandria, Ind.
 Colwell, H. H., forgery, Plainview, Tex.
 Comstock, W. J., forged indorsement, Detroit, Mich.
 Cooper, C. S., worthless checks, Los Angeles, Cal.
 Cooper, H. O., worthless drafts, Indianapolis, Ind.
 Dalton, Dewey, forgery, Harrison, Ark.
 Danielson, Clifford, directory swindle, Brooklyn, N. Y.
 Danielson, Lincoln, directory swindle, Brooklyn, N. Y.
 Douglas, T. H., forgery, Santa Barbara, Cal.
 Dugger, W. L., mortgage swindle, Hillsboro, Tex.
 Evans, H. R., bogus certificate of deposit, Ada, Okla.
 Faith, James, forgery, Corona, N. M.
 Faulkner, F. P., forgery, Chicago, Ill.
 Ferris, Jack, forgery, San Francisco, Cal.
 Fitzgerald, William, worthless check, Judith Gap, Mont.
 Flentye, Herbert G., swindle, Davenport, Iowa.
 Fretwell, C. A., bogus check, Lake City, Fla.
 Friese, Harold, worthless check, Bridgeport, Conn.
 Garnett, Chas. H., bogus certificate of deposit, Ada, Okla.
 Garrett, P. R., mortgage swindle, Duncan, Okla.
 Goble, V. R., forged notes, Concordia, Mo.
 Gore, Robert, forgery, Madison, W. Va.
 Green, Frank F., bogus drafts, Bowling Green, Ky.
 Gross, Harry, raised checks, Columbus, Ohio.
 Gunder, P. A., forgery, Waterloo, Iowa.
 Haralson, E. L., bogus checks, Clovis, N. M.
 Hartzig, Emory, directory swindle, Brooklyn, N. Y.
 Hines, W. H., forgery, Kansas City, Mo.
 Hix, J. S., bogus certificate of deposit, Ada, Okla.
 Horrigan, J. S., worthless check, Portland, Ore.
 Houska, Chas. F., forgery, Cleveland, Ohio.
 Howard, Felix, forgery, Houston, Tex.
 Ivanov, Mike, forgery, Cedar Rapids, Iowa.
 Johnson, W. A., bogus check, Littleton, Colo.
 Jones, J. Greeley, bogus certificates of deposit, Ada, Okla.
 Keiser, Capt. J. C., worthless checks, New Orleans, La.
 Kelley, George, worthless check, Little Rock, Ark.
 Kerdell, Lillian, forgery, Jacksonville, Fla.
 Kerr, George, forgery, Harrison, Ark.
 Kinkade, Bert J., forgery, Portland, Ore.
 Klein, George, forgery, St. Joseph, Mo.
 Knapp, Lena M., forgery, Adrian, Mich.
 Kocker, Emil, forgery, Jersey City, N. J.
 Kzyonowsky, Annie, forgery, Roslyn, N. Y.
 Larson, E. D., forgery, Bountiful, Utah.
 Leigh, W., forgery, Philadelphia, Pa.
 Linoid, J., worthless checks, Exeter, Cal.
 Locke, H. A., bogus certified check, Savannah, Ga.
 Love, R. L., mortgage swindle, Cement, Okla.
 Mack, J. W., bogus certificate of deposit, Hugo, Okla.
 Martin, Herbert, forgery, Franklin, La.
 Martin, June, forgery, Franklin, La.
 Massey, W. B., forgery, Blytheville, Ark.
 Mathews, De Leon, forgery, Lake City, S. C.
 McBrier, J. F., forged endorsement, Beckley, W. Va.
 McCarthy, Elmore, forgery, Houston, Tex.
 McClanahan, J. A., forged notes, Concordia, Mo.
 McMillon, T. A., mortgage swindle, Thorndale, Tex.
 Miller, B., bogus check, Huntington, W. Va.
 Miller, Peter J., worthless checks, Chicago, Ill.
 Minor, R. A., forgery, Jacksonville, Fla.
 Moore, Lester, forgery, Birmingham, Ala.
 Moore, Sidney, forgery, Sebastopol, Cal.
 Morris, Fritz, forgery, Roslyn, N. Y.
 Nix, Wyatt L., bogus certificate of deposit, Hugo, Okla.
 O'Donnell, Joseph, worthless checks, San Francisco, Cal.
 O'Neil, J. T., forgery, Wallingford, Conn.
 Pavlavitz, Ivan, forgery, Akron, Ohio.
 Peterson, Lawrence, forgery, St. Louis, Mo.
 Peterson, N. J., worthless draft, Cut Bank, Mont.
 Poche, Joseph L., worthless check, Center City, Minn.
 Poellet, Jr., C. T., worthless check, Buffalo, N. Y.
 Rembert, Julius, forgery, Houston, Tex.
 Rissman, M. D., bogus check, Mason City, Iowa.
 Robinette, I. T., Mt. Hope, W. Va.
 Roll, D. M., forgery, Evansville, Ind.
 Rollison, C. A., raised check, Waycross, Ga.
 Roth, Homer F., bogus check, Goshen, Ind.
 Runnells, York, forgery, Houston, Tex.
 Safreed, Meta, forgery, Okmulgee, Okla.

Salisbury, Geo. R., bogus checks, Birmingham, Ala.
 Sanden, Fred, forgery, Cut Bank, Mont.
 Sansom, Herbert B., worthless checks, Los Angeles, Cal.
 Scott, Walter A., forgery, Pasco, Wash.
 Sheldon, James E., mortgage swindle, Leesburg, Fla.
 Shipman, Horace M., bogus draft, Oklahoma City, Okla.
 Shoe, George B., forgery, Akron, Ohio.
 Simpson, R. S., forgery, Tulsa, Okla.
 Smith, Frank, forgery, San Francisco, Cal.
 Smith, Leroy C., forgery, Highland Park, Ill.
 Stephens, Edward, directory swindle, Brooklyn, N. Y.
 Sullivan, Twain, swindle, Chester, Mont.
 Swartz, Harry, worthless draft, Okmulgee, Okla.
 Talia, Frank, forgery, Passaic, N. J.
 Tisor, Carl R., accomplice of swindler, Forsyth, Mont.
 Tope, J. Leroy, forgery, Joliet, Ill.
 Turley, Bryan, forgery, Tulsa, Okla.
 Van Leuven, Bert, worthless check, Salina, Kan.
 Warner, Lon, mortgage swindle, Higgins, Tex.
 Watkins, Jack, forgery, Houston, Tex.
 Von Feldern, Harry, worthless checks, Columbus, Ohio.
 Weil, M. L., worthless draft, Elko, Nev.
 Weisbord, Max, raised checks, Columbus, Ohio.
 Willis, G. S., bogus check, Brooksville, Fla.
 Wisdom, G. C., bogus certificate of deposit, Cushing, Okla.
 Woods, Mingo, forgery, Houston, Tex.
 Young, Thomas, directory swindle, Brooklyn, N. Y.
 Young, William, directory swindle, Brooklyn, N. Y.
 Yung, Ng, forgery, San Francisco, Cal.

BURGLARS AND HOLD-UP ROBBERS

Alderman, Hugo, hold-up, Homestead, Fla.
 Bear, A., suspected hold-up, Hugo, Okla.
 Bergens, J. W., robbery and murder, Point, Tex.
 Burton, Jack, attempted robbery, Lorain, Ohio.
 Carden, Julius, hold-up, Heavener, Okla.
 Carden, Julius, hold-up, Glenwood, Ark.
 Carter, Charlie, alleged bank robber, Point, Tex.
 Clair, Henry, hold-up, Tuskahoma, Okla.
 Davis, Earl, hold-up, Granville, Ohio.
 Fortner, Howard, contemplated robbery, Windsor, Ill.
 Fotaft, Thomas, attempted robbery, Lorain, Ohio.
 Hester, Wm., burglary, DeQueen, Ark.
 Jenkins, H. P., robbery, El Paso, Ark.
 Lemons, Doc, robbery, El Paso, Ark.
 Littrell, Jess, hold-up, Harrah, Okla.
 McKinney, Calvin, robbery, Crowder, Okla.
 Marvin, Harold, robbery, Oronogo, Mo.
 Quattlebaum, Arthur, robbery, El Paso, Ark.
 Quattlebaum, John, robbery, El Paso, Ark.
 Quattlebaum, Sid, robbery, El Paso, Ark.
 Rankin, Iola, suspected hold-up, Hugo, Okla.
 Schultz, L. H., hold-up, Granville, Ohio.
 Smith, Frank, hold-up, Heavener, Okla.
 Stone, Jim, robbery, El Paso, Ark.
 Warnix, John, burglary, DeQueen, Ark.
 Warnix, Enoch, burglary, DeQueen, Ark.
 Winfield, C. P., suspected hold-up, Hugo, Okla.

STATISTICS OF THE PROTECTIVE DEPARTMENT

| | Awaiting trial August 31, 1917 | Arrested since August 31, 1917 | Arrests in November, 1917 | Total | Convicted | Discharged or acquitted | Fugitive, escaped, insane or died | Awaiting trial |
|----------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|-------|-----------|----------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------|
| Forgers..... | 108 | 84 | 30 | 114 | 51 | 26 | 8 | 137 |
| Burglars..... | 4 | 3 | | 3 | 4 | | | 3 |
| Hold-up robbers..... | 24 | 2 | 4 | 6 | 3 | 3 | | 24 |
| Sneak thieves..... | | 1 | | 1 | | 1 | | |
| Total..... | 136 | 90 | 34 | 124 | 58 | 30 | 8 | 164 |

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RULES OF THE PROTECTIVE COMMITTEE

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2. In reporting cases the member agrees to swear out a warrant for the criminal concerned when his identity has been determined: or a John Doe warrant at once in states where permitted. The committee relentlessly pursues both amateur and professional criminals in cases of attempted or successful fraud or crime upon members of the Association, but cannot take cognizance of such offenses where perpetrated upon others than members, or of so-called "inside jobs" where the offender is an officer or employee of a member. The committee relies upon the state, county or local authorities to arrange for the extradition and the payment of expense incident to the return of a prisoner. The committee will not pay witness fees, and will not be responsible for any expense incurred for protective work which has not been previously authorized.

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November 10th, 1917

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.

This will serve too identify and recomend the bearer Mr.L.E.Rees one of our good customers.

Mr.Rees is in the wheat raising buisness and we have always found him too be honest in all of our dealings with him.

We will honor all checks or drafts signed by Mr.Rees to the ammount of five thousand dollars (\$5,000)

L. E. Rees

Signature of Mr.Rees

J. Chitwood

Ass.,t to the President

WARNING

BOGUS LETTER OF CREDIT

Swindler with forged letter of credit finds numerous victims

We are reproducing over this article a photograph of the bogus letter of credit used by E. L. Dix, the operator in this case. In the December, 1917, issue of the JOURNAL Supplement we published a warning article concerning the transactions of this swindler.

Supplementing this article, we have since learned that his favorite method to secure funds from his victims is as follows: He will appear in a small community and claim that he is endeavoring to locate a sister or some close relative who disappeared and was last heard from in that city. He will place an article in the local papers offering a reward for information. His appearance is that of a well-to-do business man. After he has been in the community for a few days, he calls at a local member bank, presents his "Letter," and due to the fact that he has been in the "press" for the past week or two, the banker is impressed and E. L. Dix, alias L. E. Rees, etc., has no difficulty in securing funds, thereby victimizing the member.



FRED FUNK

EX-CONVICT TRIES COMEBACK, FAILS

Funk is given every opportunity to make good, but turns against benefactor

Once again the old adage, "Once a crook always a crook" has come true and we have just about come to the conclusion that it is a mighty hard thing to do a "comeback." The subject of this warning article is Fred Funk, an ex-convict and forger, who is again in trouble after having been taken under the care of a very wealthy gentleman, interested in prison reform work. Following Funk's release from the penitentiary, he came to the attention of this prison worker who took a personal interest in his case; in fact, took him into his home and allowed him to act as his general all-around handy man.

With the knowledge gained from the handling of his benefactor's affairs, Funk was able to secure funds from a New York city member by means of a check bearing the forged signature of their depositor. Not content with this breach of trust, he called at a local department store and was able to make purchases and secure goods amounting to \$650, having the items charged to his "angel."

The banks in the middle western states will do well to be on their guard. He is apt to assume the names of Funk, Peter Fitzgerald or Herbert L. Nichols. His description is 32 years, 5 feet 7 inches, 130 pounds, sallow complexion, chestnut eyes, dark hair; always uses the words of "this here and that there" in his conversation; walks pigeon-toed.

M. G. ALBROOK. By accommodating a stranger who was not properly identified a member bank of Watertown has suffered a loss. Albroom presented a check drawn on the First National Bank, Marion, Iowa, which was later returned protested.

WM. H. ALTSON has victimized a San Francisco bank by securing funds on a bogus certified check. This individual opened an account with a large cash deposit. The following deposits were made by checks which were always honored. Finally, having gained the confidence of the bank, he deposited a large check purporting to be certified by the cashier of a Los Angeles bank, the Hellman Commercial Trust & Savings Co. Before this check was heard from, the bank allowed the operator to draw against it, consequently suffering a loss. The California Bankers Association are co-operating in financing an investigation.

William H. Altson

A. E. ANDERSON. This is another instance where a member bank has been defrauded through paying upon checks that had been stolen from the mails and bore the forged indorsement of the payee. The operator who assumed the payee's name of Anderson and secured the funds from a Spokane member is 26 years, 5 feet 5 inches, 135 pounds; has dark complexion, dark hair, blue eyes; has two gold crowns on upper teeth.

SARKIS AZARIAN is wanted by the Lawrence, Mass., authorities for the larceny of a Liberty Bond certificate and an attempt to defraud a local member by means of a forged withdrawal order. While visiting his nephew he forced open the trunk and stole a Liberty Bond club card, also a savings account book. He took the Liberty Bond card and presented it at the bank stating that he was unable to make further payments toward the bond. The bank refunded the amount paid in, thereby sustaining a loss. Our Boston agents are now engaged upon an investigation. Azarian also presented the pass-book at the bank but failed to defraud the member due to the fact that he was unable to properly answer the required questions.

OTTO BAUMAN succeeded in victimizing a non-member bank of Carpenter, Iowa, by means of a forged note. Bauman is 35 years, 5 feet 6 inches; dark complexion, heavy beard, dark, heavy hair; stoop shouldered and bow-legged.

S. E. BROWNELL, alias L. C. Johnston. A check book on the Fort Dearborn National Bank, Chicago, has fallen into the hands of a bogus check operator who is defrauding merchants in and about Chicago. He has used the names of C. Brownwell, C. D. Todd, F. D. Hartmay, A. S. Marshall, F. C. Clarke and M. M. Eling. All of these checks are purported to be issued by a reliable electrical firm of Chicago.

W. C. BROWNING. By securing possession of a pay check and forging the payee's indorsement on same, Browning has victimized a Kansas City member who accepted the check. The operator is described as 22 years, 5 feet 7 inches, 160 pounds; has florid complexion, light hair and appeared in a private's uniform.

C. H. CARTER. You are warned of the operations of a swindler who is using a check purporting to be issued by the Midland Lumber Co., Cincinnati, Ohio, drawn on the Norwood National, a local bank. These checks are usually made payable to C. H. Carter, alias John Livering, etc., and signed by the Secretary and Treasurer E. C. Cordes. So far only hotel proprietors have fallen victims to his checks.

HERBERT DE GARRO, alias Joe B. Roberts. By forging the signature of his landlord to a small check De Garro has caused a Los Angeles member to sustain a loss. De Garro is an aerobat and a drug fiend. He is described as 21 years, 5 feet 8 or 9 inches; scar on lip (like a harelip operation) on left side of nose.

The California Bankers Association are co-operating in financing the investigation.

WILLIAM DOYLE is now wanted by the Kansas City authorities for defrauding a local member by means of a mortgage swindle. He secured a loan on cattle that he did not own. The bank's investigator was allowed to view several head of cattle but later learned that they were the property of others. Doyle has a very bad record. His description is 40 years, 5 feet 9 inches, 185 pounds; heavy build, ruddy complexion, dark hair, deep blue eyes.

H. B. EDGINGTON. After being introduced at a Humboldt, Iowa, member bank by a relative, Edgington presented a check drawn on the First National Bank, Elmore, Minn., and received the funds. This check was returned as worthless, thereby causing the bank to suffer a loss. This member has since received information that Edgington has been passing his checks in the vicinity of Chicago. His description is 60 to 65 years, 200 pounds, dark complexion and a heavy drinker.

The Iowa Bankers Association are co-operating in financing the investigation.

HENRY E. FOXALL. For fifteen years Foxall resided in Albany, N. Y., and represented a western insurance company. For this same length of time he was a man with honest business principles; then something happened. He had to have money, he did not care to call upon his friends or banker, and becoming desperate he took the easiest way out of his difficulties, and by following the least line of resistance he caused a local member to sustain a loss. He presented to his bank two checks payable to himself on a Brooklyn, N. Y., bank. The bank did not hesitate in honoring them and readily permitted Foxall to draw against the uncollected items. The checks were returned marked "no account." Foxall has disappeared. He is 55 years, 5 feet 10 inches, 160 pounds; has gray hair, quite bald, gray mustache; wears spectacles.

H. E. Foxall

G. GOULD. In some manner Gould came into possession of a blank check on the Bank of Great Neck, N. Y., and he certainly made good use of it. This individual while working for a Chicago firm planned his campaign, and just previous to his operation he spread a rumor about his place of employment that he had fallen heir to a small legacy. His next step was to gain the confidence of the firm's bookkeeper. Having finally laid all of his plans to his satisfaction, he approached the bookkeeper and showed him a check drawn on the New York bank and asked him to introduce him at the bank. The favor was granted. The bank, relying upon the introduction, did not require an indorsement from the firm's representative. The check was sent through the regular channels and returned as bogus. The Chicago member is the loser. Our Chicago agents are now endeavoring to trace Gould's movements. He is 30 years, 5 feet 7 inches, 135 pounds; medium complexion, brown hair, pleasant face, squinty eyes, hollow cheeks; somewhat dissipated; stutters.

R. J. HAMILTON. A customer of a Homestead, Pa., member bank has sustained a loss through advancing funds on a check bearing a forged certification stamp.

T. A. JOHNSON. Several months ago a Walnut Cove, N. C., member bank allowed Johnson to borrow a small sum of money on a note purporting to bear the indorsement of a local business man. When this note fell due a demand was made upon the indorser. He immediately declared his signature to be a forgery. Our agents are now engaged in tracing Johnson's movements. The operator's description is 21 years, 5 feet 6 inches, 160 pounds; sandy complexion, good countenance, round face.

FRANK JONES is securing funds on checks drawn against the Bay State National Bank, Lawrence, Mass. Jones' method of operation is to make a chance acquaintance, and after several evenings of night life he will ask his new friend to assist

him in having his expense check cashed. The check is indorsed and the operator secures the funds. Only merchants and individuals have been his victims so far. He is 32 years, 5 feet 6 inches, 135 pounds; sallow complexion; black eyes; black hair; neat dresser.

W. T. JOYNER has victimized a member bank of Union, Iowa, by means of a check drawn on the First National Bank, Eldora, Iowa. His description is 33 years, 5 feet 7 inches, 165 to 175 pounds, blue eyes; black, slightly curly hair; one toe missing on right foot; prominent nostrils.

The Iowa Bankers Association are co-operating in financing the investigation.

LYLE LAUB. This operator has a sure method of gaining his victims, but the only trouble with it is that his source is soon exhausted. He married a young lady and they visited her home. While there he wrote checks and requested his bride of a few days to have her different relatives and friends indorse the checks or introduce them to tradespeople. When his wife was unable to produce more friends he disappeared, we presume, to show up in another locality to work the same scheme. This man operated in Illinois.

F. O. NEWLIN, alias C. R. Pool, called on a Houston, Texas, member and opened a new account with a cash deposit on a draft drawn on the First State Bank, Dallas, Texas. The next day he again called and while the attache who handled his first transaction was away from the premises, he presented a check, covering practically the entire deposit and was permitted to draw against the uncollected item. The injured member describes Newlin as 36 years, 5 feet 10 inches, 180 pounds; heavy build.

ROGERS NICHOLS has defrauded a Tulsa, Okla., member by cashing a check payable to himself drawn on the First National Bank, Tulsa, Okla. This check has been returned as bogus as the bank is unable to locate the supposed maker.

J. C. RAND, alias Jack Barry, alias Roy E. Lantry. In different issues of this JOURNAL Supplement we have published warning articles concerning the operation of swindlers who have resorted to the use of uniforms of officers in the American army to further their operations. We are now warning you of a young operator who has not aspired to a commission but who is using a uniform of a private to very good advantage to himself. He will call upon you and present a check, usually one drawn on the Utah State National, Salt Lake City, and will claim that he is on a furlough and has run short of funds. His story is told in such a straightforward manner that you are taken off guard for the moment and decide to take a chance. Needless to say, his checks are returned protested. Rand, alias Lantry, is 23 years, 5 feet 11 inches, 155 pounds; has florid complexion, light brown hair; prominent white teeth; nice appearance; wears a ruby ring.

J. N. ROGERS. Representing himself to be the nephew of a prominent business man of Buffalo, Rogers entered a local bank and presented a check on the Continental Trust & Savings Bank, Toledo, Ohio, purporting to be issued by the Toledo Sand & Gravel Company. Rogers is 20 to 23 years, 5 feet 10 inches, 155 pounds; dark brown hair, a long, narrow face pointed nose.

WM. RYAN, alias W. M. Erickson. A Chicago member bank has been defrauded through paying on a check bearing the forged signature of the payee. Mr. W. M. Erickson, manager of a local firm, advertised in a paper requesting the services of a salesman and in answer to this Wm. Ryan ap-

peared. After a short examination he was engaged and arrangements made to train him for the position. While these arrangements were in progress, Ryan seized the opportunity and stole the check in question from the manager's desk. He is described as 37 years, 5 feet 7½ inches, 165 pounds; stocky build; has dark complexion, grayish brown eyes, hair graying at temples, brown on top, high forehead.

J. R. SMITH, alias J. R. Martin. Another painter has failed to follow his profession and is now wanted for defrauding a Logan, W. Va., member by means of a check bearing the forged signature of their depositor. Smith, while engaged by this depositor, stole several blank checks and filled one out. As he was known at the bank, having cashed other pay checks there, he experienced no difficulty in having the check honored. He is 36 years, 6 feet, 160 pounds; has dark complexion, black hair.

E. VAN HEMERT. Posing as a newspaper man, Van Hemert has been touring the western states and drawing drafts on the *Chicago Record*. These drafts have all been returned as this individual is unknown by the paper in question.

EDWARD WATSON. An operator assuming this name has caused a Kansas City, Mo., member to sustain a loss. The real Watson came to the city for a celebration and became slightly intoxicated. One of his new-found friends, taking advantage of his condition, relieved him of a pay check, forged the indorsement on same and secured the funds from the local member. The impostor is described as a large Indian, 5 feet 9 inches, dark skinned, wearing a large western fuzzy hat and dark overcoat.

Edward Watson

GENERAL

FRANK E. ANDERSON, alias Frank Edward Anderson. This operator is issuing checks against the Second National Bank, Chicago. This institution is non-existent. His victims are numbered among the hotels and merchants in the principal cities of Missouri. We are endeavoring to secure a description of the operator.

J. M. BIRD. Claiming to represent H. N. Davis & Co., Baltimore, Md., Bird called upon a member bank of Aiken, S. C., and asked to have his draft for \$100 honored. The bank had accommodated him on previous occasions but for a much smaller amount. Due to the bank's cautiousness Bird was unable to secure the funds. The bank later learned that Bird had severed his connections with his firm and did not have the authority to draw. Following his attempt to defraud the bank Bird flooded the city with his bogus checks drawn on the First National, Aiken.

James M. Bird

LIEUT. R. F. BROCKNER is posing as a lieutenant on a recruiting detail. Brockner has had no difficulty in obtaining funds on his worthless checks drawn on the Macon National Bank, Macon, Ga. The operator is described as 33 years, 5 feet 10 inches, 150 pounds; brown hair; very sunburned and short, sandy mustache.

W. C. BROWN is operating with a check drawn on the Washington Loan & Trust Co., Washington, D. C. This is a cashier check and is drawn on the Chase National, New York city. The name of Charles R. Grant is used as the maker. This check is the operator's own "get up" and is a forgery throughout. We have been unable to secure a description of the operator.

T. C. CLARKE has victimized a Stockton, Cal., member by a check purporting to have been signed by a depositor of the Morris State Bank, Morris, Ill. This check has been returned as a forgery and a notation on same that the bank is non-existent.

The California Bankers Association are co-operating in financing the investigation.

"MAJOR" W. L. CLARK has been traveling about Missouri engaging rooms, then paying for a week's rent in advance with a bogus pay check, purporting to be issued by the government. These checks are drawn on the Third National, St. Louis, Mo.

Wm W L Clark

GEORGE C. CLEMMONS is "floating" bogus checks purporting to be issued by the National Supply Company and the American Cigar Co. The checks are on the paper of the Pioneer Trust Company, Kansas City, Mo. They are typewritten and signed by A. C. Robertson as treasurer. We have been unable to secure a description.

BANK ROBBER SENTENCED

ROY DE HOOG and brother EDWARD DE HOOG have been sentenced for their share in the hold up of the Westlake Branch of the Home Savings Bank, Los Angeles. Roy De Hoog received a sentence of one year to life at the State Penitentiary, San Quentin, Cal. His brother Edward, being under age, was sentenced to the Preston State School of Industry, to remain at that institution until he is of age. This sentence expires on March 8, 1920.

LORETTA DOYLE (Miss) has defrauded a San Francisco member bank by securing funds on a check which bore the forged signature of her alleged employer, the bank's customer. She is described as 23 years, 5 feet 9 inches, 130 pounds; dark complexion, dark hair. The California Bankers Association is co-operating with this association in financing an investigation.

Loretta Doyle

LIEUT. J. D. FINDLEY, alias J. P. Evans. Representing himself to be in the Canadian Aviation Corps, this impostor is passing checks in the southern states, drawn on the Commonwealth Bank of Baltimore and the Central Trust Co., Camden, N. J. Merchants have been his victims. He is described as 25 years, 5 feet 7 inches, 145 pounds; ruddy complexion, blue eyes, sandy hair.

HENRY GARTH (colored). The efforts of Garth, a negro residing near Hillsboro, Ala., to finance himself on the eve of his enlistment in the army, caused him to break into the Morgan County jail. Garth was given his employer's check for a small sum. He traced the signature on one for a larger amount and endeavored to secure the funds from an Albany, Ala., member. The fraud was discovered and his arrest followed.

GEORGE HALL. The individual who has been passing checks purporting to have been issued by the Sells Martin, Sells Company, Chicago, is under arrest at Sulphur, Okla. He is a man of 43 years, 5 feet 11 inches, 160 pounds; has dark hair and blue eyes.

M. E. HARLAN. This operator has been issuing checks bearing the forged signature of the National Bank of Commerce, Tulsa, Okla. These checks have been cashed by various merchants in and about Tulsa. The operator is described as 32 years, 5 feet 8 inches, 160 pounds; blue eyes, gray hair, false teeth; steel worker by occupation.

H. A. KIM called upon a New York city bank and deposited a draft calling for a substantial amount, drawing against the Bank of Montreal. He claimed to have been in the Over Seas Service for the Canadian Government. The member did not honor the draft. Kim is described as 21 years, 5 feet 8 inches; sallow complexion.

H. A. Kim

A. M. LEFLER is charged with the forging of a small check drawn on the First National Bank, purporting to bear the signature of an official of the Southern Sewer Pipe Co., Birmingham, Ala. He has been committed to the county jail at Birmingham.

S. WELLS LITTLER has by this time come to the conclusion that he will not make a successful bogus check operator. Late in October he called on a Parkersburgh, W. Va., member and presented a check drawn on the Park Bank, Parkersburgh, Pa. Shortly afterwards this bank learned that Littler was stopping at a local hotel under the name of Kennedy. This caused them to become suspicious of the check. They wired and soon learned that it was valueless. Littler's arrest followed. He is described as 23 years, very pleasing disposition, rather good looking and has sandy hair.

THOMAS J. LYNN and wife have defrauded individuals through the various banks. Their method of operation is to make acquaintances with different persons and after gaining their confidence, they secure their indorsements on the back of their bogus checks. The banks readily pay on the protected check and when same are returned the indorser is the victim.

H. D. MAIM is drawing checks on the Union National Bank, Pittsburgh, Pa. These checks purport to be pay checks

of the Pittsburgh Iron & Steel Company. He is 26 years, 5 feet 10 inches, 175 pounds; fair complexion, light hair.

H. D. Maim

H. EDWARD MALMFELDT has victimized a member bank of Kansas City, Mo. Malmfeldt's method of operation was to forge the signature of an official of the W. M. Boyle Manufacturing Co. to checks and present them at the bank. Following his two transactions, he wrote a letter to a friend acknowledging his guilt and stating that he intended to enlist in the navy.

H. Edward Malmfeldt



J. J. MEEHAN

LEADER OF FORGER-PICKPOCKET GANG APPREHENDED

J. J. MEEHAN, alias E. H. Wright. Our Los Angeles detective agents, while engaged upon an investigation for the California Bankers Association, caused the arrest of Meehan, who was charged with forging the indorsement to several travelers' cheques and securing the funds from a Pasadena bank. Later events proved that Meehan, alias Wright, had a previous record and was the "penman" for a clique of pickpockets who made Los Angeles their headquarters and preyed upon the tourists visiting the various beaches in the vicinity of that city. Meehan's description is 40 to 45 years, 5 feet 9 inches, 190 to 200 pounds; dark complexion, prominent features, well dressed.

H. E. MORGAN is causing the Fidelity Trust Company of Baltimore considerable annoyance by making it necessary for them to return his numerous bogus checks which he is passing in and about that city. He is 22 years, 5 feet 10 inches, 145 pounds; fair complexion, blue eyes, light hair.

H. E. Morgan

J. A. McDONALD. A member of Ajo, Ariz., has been defrauded by McDonald, who called upon the member and presented a message purporting to be from the Equitable Life

Insurance Co., which advised the holder that he had fallen heir to a large sum of money. On the strength of this message McDonald was able to secure an advance. This was the last seen of the operator. His transaction was easy to work due to his being a resident of the city and known to the bank officials. He is 45 years, 5 feet 10 inches, 150 pounds. Is an ex-army captain, but has been out of the service for a number of years.

JAMES McELROY. This individual was charged with five allegations with false pretense, forgery and uttering, two of which charges were *nolle prossed*. On each of the other three he was sentenced to 18 months in the Essex County (New Jersey) Penitentiary, to run consecutively.

JOHN RINGHEISER, alias John Regensburger, etc., has been arrested by Sheriff Lamb, of Greeley, Colo., for passing bogus checks among merchants. These checks were drawn on the Greeley National Bank. This operator has used the following aliases: Henry Demus, alias Alonzo M. Russell, alias Harry J. Anderson. He is described as 24 years, 5 feet 8 inches, 160 pounds, medium dark hair and blue eyes.

FRANK RYAN, alias Thomas Ryan, is operating with worthless checks purporting to be issued by the Johnston Construction Co., drawn on the Drovers National Bank, Chicago, Ill. So far he has confined his operations solely to merchants.

SIDNEY SEASONWEIN has presented to a New York city member a draft in his favor drawn on the Third National, St. Louis, Mo. He was not allowed to draw against the account. This draft was later returned as bogus. Seasonwein is 42 years; has dark hair and dresses "a la Broadway."



DONALD SLATER, alias Fred Snyder. While repairing a disabled elevator, Slater stole several blank checks, especially printed with the firm name of Burrell Engineering & Construction Co. across the top. He forged the superintendent's signature to one and presented it to a Liberty Center, Ind., member who paid upon it. This check is drawn on the West Engelwood Ashland State Bank, Chicago. When the bank learned of the fraud they made a short investigation and ascertained Slater's whereabouts. He was apprehended and has been convicted and sentenced to a term of 2 to 14 years in the State Penitentiary, Michigan City, Ind.

MRS. ANNA SPREGUE, alias Mrs. A. Sprague. By forging the signature of her employee to a check drawn on the Northwest Trust & Safe Deposit Co., Seattle, Wash., Mrs. Sprague has caused a local member to suffer a loss.

WALTER J. STEMRICK is passing bogus checks drawn on the City State Bank, Chicago, Ill. His description is 24 to 28 years, 5 feet 5 inches, 140 pounds; fair complexion, dark blue eyes; partial to fancy shirts.

F. SUGGS, alias Frank L. Smith. Having become acquainted with the account of a customer of a Floral Park, N. Y., member bank, Suggs has issued several checks against same. Fortunately his fraud was discovered. He is also using

a blank drawn on the Floral Park Bank, signing any name that comes into his head. A former jockey is suspected.



THADE WHITE, alias C. H. Williams, alias R. D. Hubbard. By paying on a check drawn on the First National Bank, Vicksburg, Miss., which later developments proved that they had been stolen, a member bank of Lake Providence, La., has sustained a loss. The operator, a negro, who stole the check, forged the indorsement of the payee and had no difficulty in securing the funds. He is described as 30 to 35 years, 5 feet 6 inches, 155 pounds; light brown complexion. He posed as a lecturer to colored lodges and as a real estate agent from Pine Bluff, Ark.

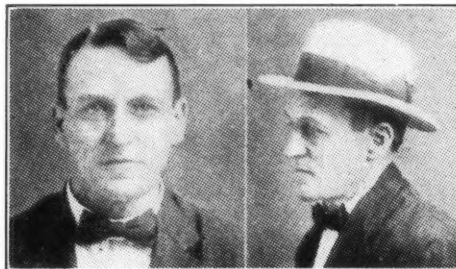
ARRESTED

CLEVER OPERATOR ARRESTED

Bogus stock buyer, known as J. C. Henry, is in custody at New Orleans

The New Orleans police have made an important arrest and their endeavors should be appreciated by the bankers in general, as they have put a stop to the operations of a very clever pair of bogus check operators.

In the December issue of the JOURNAL Supplement, we published a warning article concerning J. C. HENRY and his operations, and also reproduced a copy of his bogus check. For the past year Henry and a woman companion have been operating with a check purporting to be issued by the Swift Live Stock Commission, a non-existing concern of South St.



J. C. HENRY

Paul. They have been more than successful in listing our members among their victims. Recently Henry was arrested for the Moberly, Mo., authorities, but upon securing his release on bail he immediately disappeared only to resume his swindling transactions.

We would suggest that in the event our readers recognize the subjects of this article as the individuals who operated against them, that they immediately arrange to have detainer warrants lodged with the St. Paul, Minn., authorities, as he has been returned to that city, and advise us as to the action taken.

FORGER CLIQUE BROKEN UP

Our agents uncover work of clever penman and cause his apprehension

By a very good piece of work on the part of the Tulsa police and a representative from our Kansas City detective agents we are able to report the arrest of MARVIN HINCHE, penman, MRS. IVA MAE HINCHE, chief co-worker, and A. E. HIGHTOWER, their tool, whose activities have been causing the police of several cities considerable trouble.

The first arrest made was that of the tool, Hightower. At first he refused to talk but after a lengthy questioning, he finally confessed and told a very convincing story. He stated that a few days previous to his arrest he was stopped on the street by Marvin Hince, who asked him to call at his rooms as he had a business proposition to make to him. That evening he called and Hince stated that he knew of an easy way to make some money. He then explained that he would furnish Hightower with checks bearing the forged signatures of different local business men and that he, Hightower, was to pass them and then receive his share of the funds. This plan was agreed upon but Hightower claimed that he became frightened and had a negro pass the checks. When he told Hince what he had done he received an upbraiding and was told to handle his transactions alone. Hince then said that he had an "easy mark" in town and asked Mrs. Hince to fill out a blank check, which she did. Hightower was then told to cash it. It was this check that was found on his person when he was arrested.

Upon hearing this story our detective agent remembered that he just recently caused the arrest of one R. S. Simpson, who has since been sentenced, and in connection with the investigation the name of Hince appeared. He therefore decided to locate Simpson, who could be of material assistance in aiding us to identify the two principals and connect up the case. He then, with the aid of the Tulsa police, located and caused the arrest of the Hinces.

After some difficulty Simpson was located, he being on parole. He told the same story as Hightower, whereupon he was asked to identify the two people under arrest. This he immediately did, calling them by name at the time, thereby making a complete case against the principals. Considerable damaging evidence was secured in the Hinces' rooms at the time of their arrest. They are being held for trial at Tulsa and it is hoped that they will clear up several other cases that are now pending.

EX-CASHIER FORGER IN CUSTODY

W. H. ALKIRE. At one time Alkire was in the employ of a San Francisco member, and upon leaving them he proceeded to Arizona where he became cashier of a small bank. From all appearances Alkire was unable to stand prosperity and after a short while lost his position. He returned to California and, being short of funds, called on his old employer, where he represented himself to be still in the employ of the Arizona bank and was able to have the member advance him funds on his checks, which were later returned as worthless. Our California detective agents were notified. On November 23, our Los Angeles agents located the operator

and effected his arrest. The California Bankers Association co-operated in financing the investigation. Alkire has been returned to San Francisco for trial.



R. B. COLLEY

R. B. COLLEY. Having been banking with a member of Jackson, Miss., for some little time, Colley had their confidence. Therefore, when he deposited a small check, which later proved to be bogus, he did not experience any difficulty in obtaining funds. Following his transactions, he left for distant parts. Our agent from New Orleans, in investigating the case, ascertained that Colley had written to a negro drayman. This lead was followed out and proved to be fruitful. Colley had requested the negro to remove certain pieces of furniture from his home and then to mail the key to Little Rock, Ark. With this information in his possession, the rest was easy. Our Memphis representative was notified and in due course of time Colley's arrest was effected. He has been returned to Jackson and is now awaiting trial.

R B Colley



HARRY ZUGG

HARRY ZUGG, alias H. Miles (true name C. M. McBrayer). Had McBrayer, alias Zugg, been contented with his trade as a painter and not endeavored to branch out as a "paper hanger," he would still be in possession of his liberty. Such was not the case, however, and while this individual was plying his trade at the Farmers State Bank, Ada, Okla., he took advantage of an opportunity and stole several blank cashier checks. With these in his possession, to use the

slang, he commenced his "paper hanging" which finally brought about his arrest, through the efforts of our St. Louis detective agents. During Zugg's travels he called on a member bank of Benton, Ill., and was able to convince them that his cashier check bore the genuine signature of the bank official. Through an informant our agent was able to learn that the operator was endeavoring to reach a certain city on the telephone. Proceeding to that point the operator was located and recognized from description, his arrest following.

Harry Zugg

BENJAMIN DUBSON. A member bank of Reading, Pa., was victimized by an operator who secured funds from a pay check of one of their customers. This check was later returned as it bore the forged indorsement of the payee. Our Philadelphia detective agents were asked to investigate the matter. In the course of their investigation they suspected Benjamin Dubson, who was an employee of the bank's customer. He was thoroughly questioned and finally confessed to removing the letter containing the check from the office mail basket and securing the funds from it at the bank.

GUS EASTERBROOK, alias Geo. A. Easterbrook. By forging his father's signature to a check and receiving the funds from same, Easterbrook has victimized an Alexandria, La., member. A representative of our New Orleans detective agent was investigating the case and learned from some of the operator's friends that he was then in Shreveport, working for some garage. Following this lead our agent canvassed the various garages and finally located Easterbrook working as a mechanic. Upon being arrested the operator acknowledged his identity and confessed to the operation. His father has endeavored to effect a settlement, but due to Easterbrook's previous police record the member has declined the offer and intends to push the prosecution. He is 26 years, 6 feet, 140 pounds; blond hair, sallow complexion, stoop shouldered.

JACK EMBRY. In connection with the hold up of a Glenwood, Ark., member, the authorities of Mena, Ark., have placed under arrest Jack Embry, a relative of Julius Carden, one of the bandits. Embry is being held in \$2,500 bonds. At the time Carden and his companion, Bettis Alston, were located they were found in Embry's home, consequently he is being held for examination.

CLYDE HAMMER, alias Robert Bennet (negro). Having defrauded a Los Angeles, Cal., member bank by forging the signature of their customer to several checks and receiving the funds on same, Hammer left the vicinity. Our local agents, after making an extensive investigation, ascertained that the operator had secured a position as a Pullman porter. The rest was easy; they learned his route and when he reached Los Angeles on his return trip he found several friends awaiting his arrival; among the friends were our agent, the bank identifying witness and the local authorities' representatives. He made a complete confession.

The California Bankers Association are co-operating in financing the investigation.

H. C. HEARD, alias H. C. Beard, alias Harry Beard, is under arrest at Bend, Ore., charged with violating his parole, he having recently been released from the Oregon State Peni-

tentiary. Previous to Heard's last arrest he defrauded an Independence, Ore., member with a bogus check drawn on the Bank of Falls City which was later returned no account. Representatives from our Portland detective agents, while endeavoring to locate the operator, ascertained that Heard had been arrested by the sheriff at Bend, Ore., and would be returned to the State Penitentiary to complete his unexpired sentence. Detainer warrants will be lodged with the warden so as to hold him for trial on the bogus check charge when he is released at the expiration of his present sentence. He is described as 34 years, 6 feet $\frac{1}{8}$, 170 pounds; has black hair, dark complexion, gray blue eyes. His bertillon measurements are 83.1 90.0 95.4 19.5 15.0 13.5 6.6 28.4 12.6 9.6 49.8. Finger prints 31/34 00/LL.

The Oregon Bankers Association are co-operating in financing the investigation.

C. K. HUGHES. By referring to the article published in the March, 1917, JOURNAL Supplement, the details concerning Hughes' method of operation, whereby he was able to defraud a Beckley, W. Va., member bank, will be found. Our detective agents have been endeavoring to trace Hughes' movements and on December 8, 1917, our Baltimore agents learned that the local police had just caused the arrest of an operator of a like name. They immediately arranged to have the suspect identified and in this were successful. When Hughes appeared for trial on the local charge his case was dismissed upon making complete restitution, and he was released only to be again taken into custody. He will be returned to Beckley for trial.

CHARLES HUTTER. While visiting a relative at Cleveland, Ohio, and in her absence, Hutter removed a letter from the mail and extracted a check for \$50. He was not satisfied with the amount so made a very clumsy attempt to raise it to \$5,000, but in doing so failed to change the written amount. When the altered check was presented for payment the teller readily discovered the fraud. Hutter was detained until a representative from our Cleveland agents could reach the scene and place him under arrest.

ELLIS JENKINS. Following the arrest of the other operators involved in the hold up of the Bank of El Paso, Ark., they confessed and implicated Jenkins in the affair. Our investigator in company with the local sheriff proceeded to Jenkins' home, where they found him. At first he denied having any knowledge of the hold up, but when confronted with details he finally confessed and turned over several hundred dollars of the loot. Through an oversight we failed to report the arrest of this operator at the time same occurred. This article appears so as to correct our statistics. He is described as 45 years, 5 feet 10 inches, 160 pounds; medium build, dark brown eyes, dark hair and complexion.

CLIFFORD KIRBY. This individual has become involved in high finance and has been endeavoring to carry himself through the storm by floating worthless checks. During his many transactions with the worthless checks Kirby called at a member bank of Cincinnati, Ohio, and was successful in defrauding them. Our Cleveland detective agents were called in on the case and after a short investigation located Kirby's new place of residence and effected his arrest, aided by the local authorities.

A. C. KREPPS. Several months ago the Krepps fell heir to a small amount of money. This legacy, however, had a "string" to it, and before they were able to check against the

account, it was necessary for the guardian to countersign the checks. This little matter of business routine did not worry Mr. Krepps in the least. He was thirsty and had to have funds to satisfy the longing; consequently, a check was filled out and a short trip taken to a nearby town where the check was paid by a Charleroi, Pa., member, who sustained a loss as the check was dishonored. Our Pittsburgh detective agents investigated the matter and found Krepps just as he was being released from jail, having been arrested for drunkenness. He will be returned to Charleroi for trial. He is described as 40 years, 5 feet 6 inches, 130 pounds; slender build, fair complexion, light brown hair.

CARL LEWIS. Early in the month of September, 1917, a member bank of Huttig, Ark., suffered a loss through a hold up. On October 16 Lewis was located at Malvern, Ark., and arrested by the local authorities. He confessed and stated that the stolen funds had been deposited in several safe deposit boxes in and about the state. Most of the money has been recovered. At the present time he is being held at Little Rock awaiting trial. He is described as 28 years, 6 feet 1 inch, 165 pounds; has blue eyes and light chestnut hair.

F. LIFER, alias T. W. Jones, has defrauded a Jackson, Miss., member by forging the signature of their customer to a check and then receiving the funds it called for. When the case was reported to our New Orleans detective agents they interviewed the customer who suspected a person named Lifer. This individual was called upon and with the aid of the local authorities a confession was secured, his arrest following. Lifer is described as 21 years, 5 feet 10 inches, 140 to 145 pounds; medium build; sallow complexion, blue eyes, smoky blond hair. German by birth.

ARCH. W. LOONEY. Our Pittsburgh detective agents have effected the arrest of Looney, who is wanted by a member bank of Billings, Mont., for defrauding them by means of worthless drafts. In the March, 1916, JOURNAL Supplement we gave the details of Looney's swindle, his arrest at Chicago and his subsequent disappearance when released on bail. From the time Looney disappeared until a few days ago his whereabouts was a mystery. Then, through the wide-awake tactics of an official of a member bank, who reads and heeds the articles appearing in this issue, our Pittsburgh agents were advised that a man by the name of Arch. W. Looney was in business in that city and that he answered the description in every detail as the Looney who was bulletined. Our agents investigated and were able to have the suspect identified. They then caused his arrest and secured a confession. Looney is being held for the Montana authorities.

FUGITIVE BOGUS OFFICER ARRESTED

E. C. McCann again under arrest

When the Federal authorities arrested Lieut. W. A. Jennings, U. S. A., on an impersonation charge and for issuing bogus checks, they did not realize that they were killing two birds with one stone. Upon Lieut. Jennings' arrival in New York he was immediately recognized as the elusive E. C. McCann whom we mentioned in the September, 1917, issue of the JOURNAL Supplement as being a fugitive from justice.

In the article referred to we went into detail concerning his transaction, so will not again relate his history. From

information received from the Federal authorities, McCann, alias Jennings, is now on his way to Atlanta to answer charges against him at that point.

WM. F. NELSON. In January, 1915, we published an article in the JOURNAL Supplement concerning this operator's transactions. We have just been advised that Nelson was arrested at Columbus, Ohio, by the local authorities upon a request from the Asbury Park, N. J., authorities and has been returned to that point for trial.

MILES OWENS, alias Lieut. Miles Owens, alias Frank Mayo, alias Howard E. Eaton, alias Lieut. A. B. Williams, alias Lieut. M. J. Burton, alias Dr. E. H. Street. This operator has been drawing checks on the First National Bank, Ogden, Utah, purporting to be issued by Dr. E. H. Street. The checks in each instance were made payable to one of the aliases mentioned above. Due to his numerous operations and the nature of his impersonation the Federal authorities became interested in his activities and finally came up with him at Beach, N. D., where his arrest was effected. He will be returned to Portland and later to Spokane where he will be tried for defrauding one of our members with his bogus check. He is 26 years, 5 feet 9 inches, 165 pounds; has light brown hair, blue eyes.

The Oregon Bankers Association are co-operating in financing the investigation.

WILLIAM PUTMAN. On April 6, 1915, a Kaw City, Okla., member bank was held up by several men. Following the crime one C. C. Curry was arrested in Los Angeles, Cal., and returned to the scene of the crime. He confessed and implicated several local characters, among them being Putman. In May, 1917, Putman was apprehended and tried on a murder charge and sentenced to life imprisonment. He appealed the case and finally had it dismissed. He was then tried on the bank charge which ended in a conviction. The other men implicated in Curry's confession were arrested but succeeded in beating their cases, Curry alone being convicted.

PSEUDO DETECTIVE IS DETECTED

ROBERT QUINN. Becoming tired of the every-day life of an ordinary section hand, Quinn took a "flyer" in high finance and successfully operated against a member bank of Clarksburg, W. Va., who became victimized when they paid on checks, received through the clearings, later events proving that they bore the forged signature of their depositor. Quinn used his knowledge of the bank's customer's signature to good advantage and was able to find numerous merchants willing to accommodate him. Having been an earnest reader of the "Diamond Dick" variety of detective stories, he decided to follow in his footsteps. He therefore purchased an entire outfit usually credited to an up-to-date detective by the cartoonist and proceeded to impress his new-found friends with his hair-raising experiences as a detective. In the meanwhile a representative of our Pittsburgh detective agents were engaged in tracing the operator's movements. Our representative, upon hearing the wild tales credited to Quinn, decided to investigate. Using a good pretext, the real detective interviewed the impostor and it was only a very short while before a confession was secured. Quinn has been returned to Clarksburg for trial, minus his badge and handcuffs.

C. A. RANDIZ, alias C. A. Clark. While in the employ of a customer of an Oxnard, Cal., member bank, Randiz forged the signature of his employer to a check and secured the funds on same. Our Los Angeles agents were notified but before they were able to get a representative on the scene the local authorities secured a lead as to Randiz's whereabouts and were able to effect his arrest unaided. The California Bankers Association aided in financing the investigation.

MRS. J. T. SIMMONS. Several weeks ago a member bank of Richmond, Ind., reported to our Chicago detective agents the circumstances surrounding a transaction whereby they were defrauded by Mrs. Simmons. These details may be found in the JOURNAL Supplement for November, 1917. Our local agents, while investigating this matter, ascertained that the woman operator was a demonstrator and that she was then in Buffalo. This information was immediately supplied to our agents at that point who in a very short order located the operator and effected her arrest. She has confessed and will be returned to Richmond for trial.

DAVID SIMON. A member bank of Cincinnati, Ohio, sustained a loss through paying a check presented at their teller's window, which later proved to be a forgery. A representative of our Cleveland detective agents placed this matter under investigation and in very short order located David Simon, who was arrested with the aid of the local authorities.

BERT WATERS. An Olean, N. Y., member has been victimized by paying upon two checks bearing the forged signature of their depositor. A representative of our Buffalo detective agents, while investigating the matter, learned through an informant that Waters was responsible for the forgery. Being sure of this information our agent arranged to have Waters arrested in the event he was seen, as he was a well-known local character. He then endeavored to trace his movements and while thus engaged Waters was seen and arrested by the local authorities. He has been held for the Grand Jury. His description is 23 years, 5 feet 6 inches, 160 pounds; has a full face, large, prominent eyeballs and has a slight impediment in his speech.

REMOVED

CHARLES BUCKLES, alias Arthur Ratley, has received a suspended sentence of 2 years and has been placed on parole. He was implicated in a forged note transaction.

ESSIE BUNCH (negress) has been convicted of forgery and sentenced for from 3 to 15 years in the State Penitentiary, Nashville, Tenn.

JACK BURTON. Being charged with attempting to rob a Lorain, Ohio, member bank, Burton was placed on trial, the jury failed to return a verdict. During his second trial the principal witness failed to make the proper identification and at the request of the prosecuting attorney, Burton and his alleged accomplice were released, the cases against both being dismissed.

BENJAMIN DUBSON. At the time Dubson appeared for trial on a forgery charge, the court took into consideration his age. He being very young, sentence was suspended and he

was placed in charge of the probation officer for a period of 90 days. He further instructed Dubson to make complete restitution.

W. L. DUGGER has been acquitted by a jury following his trial upon an indictment for disposing of mortgaged property.

WILLIAM FITZGERALD. Being charged with issuing bogus checks, Fitzgerald entered a plea of guilty and was fined \$120 and sentenced to 60 days in jail. Following his release at Judith Gap, Mont., he was taken into custody by the Billings authorities to stand trial for a like offense.

HERBERT C. FLENTYE has received an indeterminate term in the State Penitentiary, Fort Madison, Iowa.

THOMAS FOTAFF, alleged hold-up man, has been released from custody due to insufficient evidence to convict.

W. H. HINES. When Hines appeared for trial the prosecuting attorney permitted his relatives to make restitution and he was released.

MIKE IVANOV. Due to insufficient evidence placed before the Grand Jury, that body failed to return a true bill, consequently necessitating the release of Ivanov.

ELLIS JENKINS, who with his brother Harold was arrested for a share in the hold up of an El Paso, Ark., bank, has been convicted and sentenced to 3 years in the State Penitentiary, at Little Rock, Ark. He appealed the sentence but the Supreme Court refused to reopen the case.

HAROLD P. JENKINS has received a sentence of 3 years in the Arkansas State Penitentiary for his share in the hold up of an El Paso, Ark., bank. His attorney appealed his case but the Supreme Court refused to reopen the matter.

BERT J. KINKADE pleaded guilty to a charge of forgery and was sentenced to a term of 9 months to 10 years in the State Penitentiary, Salem, Ore.

DOC. LEMMONS. Following Lemmons' conviction for being implicated in the hold up of an El Paso, Ark., bank, he was sentenced to a 3-year term in the State Penitentiary, Little Rock, Ark.

ARCH W. LOONEY. Following Looney's arrest for issuing worthless drafts he was able to arrange with the Montana officials to have his case dismissed providing complete restitution was made. This request was granted and Looney secured his liberty.

W. F. NELSON pleaded guilty on a forgery charge and was paroled for 3 years, besides being instructed to reimburse his victim, a member bank.

JOSEPH L. POCHE, who defrauded a member bank of Center City, Minn., was apprehended in Milwaukee, Wis., on a similar charge and has been placed upon probation for a period of 2 years. Arrangements have been made to have him returned to Center City, upon completing his term of probation.

C. T. POELLOT, JR. Having been convicted of issuing worthless checks, Poellot was sentenced to an indeterminate term in the Auburn prison, Auburn, N. Y.

WILLIAM PUTMAN has been found guilty of bank robbery and was sentenced to 25 years in the State Penitentiary, McAlester, Okla.

JOHN QUATTLEBAUM, arrested for his share in the hold up of the Bank of El Paso, Ark., has been sentenced to a term of 3 years in the State Penitentiary, Little Rock, Ark.

C. A. RANDIZ, alias C. A. Clarke. Upon pleading guilty to a forgery charge, Randiz was placed on probation for 2 years.

M. D. RISSMAN has been released for want of prosecution on a charge of issuing bogus checks.

R. S. SIMPSON (true name Irvin Kyle) pleaded guilty to a forgery charge and due to his age was placed on parole and is reporting at regular intervals.

HARRY VON FELDERN, alias Chas. K. Green, etc., was on November 28, 1917, sentenced to 12 years at the Federal Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kan. It will be remembered that this operator claimed to be a Secret Service agent and used this impersonation to further his operation with his bogus certified checks.

MAX WEISBORD entered a plea of guilty to a charge of forgery and uttering and was sentenced to an indeterminate term in the State Penitentiary, Columbus, Ohio.

HARRY ZUGG, on November 27, 1917, pleaded guilty to a charge of uttering a forged check and was sentenced to an indeterminate term of 1 to 14 years in State Penitentiary, Chester, Ill.

AWAITING ACTION

ALLEGED FORGERIES AND SWINDLES

- Alkire, W. H., worthless checks, San Francisco, Cal.
 Bachrack, Morris, forgery, Wilkes-Barre, Pa.
 Bacon, Floyd C., forgery, Conneaut, Ohio.
 Barker, Charles H., forgery, Pontiac, Ill.
 Baughman, A. H., swindle, Tulsa, Okla.
 Bender, George H., forgery, Lewiston, Mont.
 Benson, Fred, forgery, Elgin, Ill.
 Blackwell, Percy, worthless checks, Beckley, W. Va.
 Bland, W. F., bogus certificate of deposit, Yale, Okla.
 Blankman, David, forgeries, Boston, Mass.
 Boxley, P. H., bogus certificate of deposit, Hugo, Okla.
 Brock, J. A., forgery, Antlers, Okla.
 Buchanan, Francis, forgery, Pontiac, Ill.
 Buchanan, H. A., forgery, Oklahoma City, Okla.
 Buckley, J. W., forgery, Portland, Ore.
 Bundy, H. C., forgery, San Francisco, Cal.
 Burger, Otto, forgery, Chester, Pa.
 Burton, Vincent, directory swindle, Brooklyn, N. Y.
 Campbell, George, forgery, Beckley, W. Va.
 Carter, Dave, forgery, Houston, Tex.
 Charles, W. W., mortgage swindle, Miami, Fla.
 Chippenfield, Austin B., forgery, Mound City, W. Va.
 Chisholm, Frank, forgery, New York, N. Y.
 Christmas, Hyman H., forged telegram, Greenville, S. C.
 Churchill, Roy, forgery, Amarillo, Tex.
 Cogswell, A. J., forgery, New York, N. Y.
 Cole, W. R., attempt to swindle, Alexandria, La.
 Colley, R. B., bogus checks, Jackson, Miss.
 Collins, Oliver H., forged indorsement, Alexandria, Ind.
 Colwell, H. H., forgery, Plainview, Tex.
 Comstock, W. J., forged indorsement, Detroit, Mich.
 Cooper, C. S., worthless checks, Los Angeles, Cal.
 Cooper, H. O., worthless drafts, Indianapolis, Ind.
 Da'ton, Dewey, forgery, Harrison, Ark.
 Danielson, Clifford, directory swindle, Brooklyn, N. Y.
 Danielson, Lincoln, directory swindle, Brooklyn, N. Y.
 Douglas, T. H., forgery, Santa Barbara, Cal.
 Easterbrook, Gus, forgery, Alexandria, La.
 Evans, H. R., bogus certificate of deposit, Ada, Okla.
 Faith, James, forgery, Corona, N. M.
 Faulkner, F. P., forgery, Chicago, Ill.
 Ferris, Jack, forgery, San Francisco, Cal.
 Fretwell, C. A., bogus check, Lake City, Fla.
 Friese, Harold, worthless check, Bridgeport, Conn.
 Garnett, Chas. H., bogus certificate of deposit, Ada, Okla.
 Garrett, P. R., mortgage swindle, Duncan, Okla.
 Goble, V. R., forged notes, Concordia, Mo.
 Gore, Robert, forgery, Madison, W. Va.
 Green, Frank F., bogus drafts, Bowling Green, Ky.
 Gross, Harry, raised checks, Columbus, Ohio.
 Gunder, P. A., forgery, Waterloo, Iowa.
 Hammer, Clyde, forgery, Los Angeles, Cal.
 Haralson, E. L., bogus checks, Clovis, N. M.
 Hartzig, Emory, directory swindle, Brooklyn, N. Y.
 Heard, H. C., bogus checks, Bend, Ore.
 Henry, J. C., bogus checks, St. Paul, Minn.
 Hightower, A. E., forgery, Tulsa, Okla.
 Hinche, Iva Mae, forgery, Tulsa, Okla.
 Hinche, Marvin, forgery, Tulsa, Okla.
 Hix, J. S., bogus certificate of deposit, Ada, Okla.
 Horrigan, J. S., worthless check, Portland, Ore.
 Houska, Chas. F., forgery, Cleveland, Ohio.
 Howard, Felix, forgery, Houston, Tex.
 Hughes, C. K., worthless checks, Beckley, W. Va.
 Hutter, Charles, raised check, Cleveland, Ohio.
 Johnson, W. A., bogus check, Littleton, Colo.
 Jones, J. Greeley, bogus certificates of deposit, Ada, Okla.
 Keiser, Capt. J. C., worthless checks, New Orleans, La.
 Kelley, George, worthless check, Little Rock, Ark.
 Kerdell, Lillian, forgery, Jacksonville, Fla.
 Kerr, George, forgery, Harrison, Ark.
 Kirby, Clifford, worthless checks, Cincinnati, Ohio.
 Klein, George, forgery, St. Joseph, Mo.
 Knapp, Lena M., forgery, Adrian, Mich.
 Kocker, Emil, forgery, Jersey City, N. J.
 Krepps, A. C., forgery, Charleroi, Pa.
 Kzyonowsky, Annie, forgery, Roslyn, N. Y.
 Larson, E. D., forgery, Bountiful, Utah.
 Leigh, W., forgery, Philadelphia, Pa.
 Lifer, F., forgery, Jackson, Miss.
 Linoid, J., worthless checks, Exeter, Cal.
 Locke, H. A., bogus certified check, Savannah, Ga.
 Love, R. L., mortgage swindle, Cement, Okla.
 Mack, J. W., bogus certificate of deposit, Hugo, Okla.
 Martin, Herbert, forgery, Franklin, La.
 Martin, June, forgery, Franklin, La.
 Massey, W. B., forgery, Blytheville, Ark.
 Mathews, De Leon, forgery, Lake City, S. C.
 McBrier, J. F., forged indorsement, Beckley, W. Va.
 McCann, E. C., bogus checks, Atlanta, Ga.
 McCarthy, Elmore, forgery, Houston, Tex.
 McClanahan, J. A., forged notes, Concordia, Mo.
 McMillon, T. A., mortgage swindle, Thorndale, Tex.
 Miller, B., bogus check, Huntington, W. Va.
 Miller, Peter J., worthless checks, Chicago, Ill.
 Minor, R. A., forgery, Jacksonville, Fla.
 Moore, Lester, forgery, Birmingham, Ala.
 Moore, Sidney, forgery, Sebastopol, Cal.

Morris, Fritz, forgery, Roslyn, N. Y.
 Nix, Wyatt L., bogus certificate of deposit, Hugo, Okla.
 O'Donnell, Joseph, worthless checks, San Francisco, Cal.
 O'Neil, J. T., forgery, Wallingford, Conn.
 Owens, Miles, worthless checks, Portland, Ore.
 Quinn, Robert, forgery, Clarksburg, W. Va.
 Pavlavitz, Ivan, forgery, Akron, Ohio.
 Peterson, Lawrence, forgery, St. Louis, Mo.
 Peterson, N. J., worthless draft, Cut Bank, Mont.
 Rembert, Julius, forgery, Houston, Tex.
 Robinette, I. T., Mt. Hope, W. Va.
 Roll, D. M., forgery, Evansville, Ind.
 Rollison, C. A., raised check, Waycross, Ga.
 Roth, Homer F., bogus check, Goshen, Ind.
 Runnells, York, forgery, Houston, Tex.
 Safreed, Meta, forgery, Okmulgee, Okla.
 Salisbury, Geo. R., bogus checks, Birmingham, Ala.
 Sanden, Fred, forgery, Cut Bank, Mont.
 Sansom, Herbert B., worthless checks, Los Angeles, Cal.
 Scott, Walter A., forgery, Pasco, Wash.
 Sheldon, James E., mortgage swindle, Leesburg, Fla.
 Shipman, Horace M., bogus draft, Oklahoma City, Okla.
 Shoe, George B., forgery, Akron, Ohio.
 Simmons, Mrs. J. T., worthless check, Richmond, Ind.
 Simon, David, forgery, Cincinnati, Ohio.
 Smith, Frank, forgery, San Francisco, Cal.
 Smith, Leroy C., forgery, Highland Park, Ill.
 Stephens, Edward, directory swindle, Brooklyn, N. Y.
 Sullivan, Twain, swindle, Chester, Mont.
 Swartz, Harry, worthless draft, Okmulgee, Okla.
 Talia, Frank, forgery, Passaic, N. J.
 Tisor, Carl R., accomplice of swindler, Forsyth, Mont.
 Tope, J. Leroy, forgery, Joliet, Ill.
 Turley, Bryan, forgery, Tulsa, Okla.
 Van Leuven, Bert, worthless check, Salina, Kan.
 Warner, Lon, mortgage swindle, Higgins, Tex.

Waters, Bert, forgery, Olean, N. Y.
 Watkins, Jack, forgery, Houston, Tex.
 Weil, M. L., worthless draft, Elko, Nev.
 Willis, G. S., bogus check, Brooksville, Fla.
 Wisdom, G. C., bogus certificate of deposit, Cushing, Okla.
 Woods, Mingo, forgery, Houston, Tex.
 Young, Thomas, directory swindle, Brooklyn, N. Y.
 Young, William, directory swindle, Brooklyn, N. Y.
 Yung, Ng, forgery, San Francisco, Cal.

BURGLARS AND HOLD-UP ROBBERS

Alderman, Hugo, hold-up, Homestead, Fla.
 Bear, A., suspected hold-up, Hugo, Okla.
 Bergens, J. W., robbery and murder, Point, Tex.
 Carden, Julius, hold-up, Heavener, Okla.
 Carden, Julius, hold-up, Glenwood, Ark.
 Carter, Charlie, alleged bank robber, Point, Tex.
 Clair, Henry, hold-up, Tuskahoma, Okla.
 Davis, Earl, hold-up, Granville, Ohio.
 Embry, Jack, hold-up, Glenwood, Ark.
 Fortner, Howard, contemplated robbery, Windsor, Ill.
 Hester, Wm., burglary, DeQueen, Ark.
 Lewis, Carl, hold-up, Huttig, Ark.
 Littrell, Jess, hold-up, Harrah, Okla.
 McKinney, Calvin, robbery, Crowder, Okla.
 Marvin, Harold, robbery, Oronogo, Mo.
 Quattlebaum, Arthur, robbery, El Paso, Ark.
 Quattlebaum, Sid, robbery, El Paso, Ark.
 Rankin, Iola, suspected hold-up, Hugo, Okla.
 Schultz, L. H., hold-up, Granville, Ohio.
 Smith, Frank, hold-up, Heavener, Okla.
 Stone, Jim, robbery, El Paso, Ark.
 Warnix, John, burglary, DeQueen, Ark.
 Warnix, Enoch, burglary, DeQueen, Ark.
 Winfield, C. P., suspected hold-up, Hugo, Okla.

STATISTICS OF THE PROTECTIVE DEPARTMENT

| | Awaiting trial August 31, 1917 | Arrested since August 31, 1917 | Arrests in December, 1917 | Total | Convicted | Discharged or acquitted | Fugitive, escaped, insane or died | Awaiting trial |
|----------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|-------|-----------|----------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------|
| Forgers..... | 108 | 114 | 25 | 139 | 65 | 31 | 8 | 143 |
| Burglars..... | 4 | 3 | ... | 3 | 4 | ... | ... | 3 |
| Hold-up robbers..... | 24 | 6 | 4 | 10 | 8 | 5 | ... | 21 |
| Sneak thieves..... | ... | 1 | ... | 1 | ... | 1 | ... | ... |
| Total..... | 136 | 124 | 29 | 153 | 77 | 37 | 8 | 167 |

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NEW YORK, BUFFALO.—White Building.
NEW YORK, NEW YORK.—Woolworth Building.
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WASHINGTON, SPOKANE.—Old National Bank Building.

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RULES OF THE PROTECTIVE COMMITTEE

1. Upon receipt of notification by the General Secretary, Five Nassau Street, New York City, or the nearest office or correspondent of the William J. Burns International Detective Agency, Inc., of an attempted or successful perpetration of fraud or crime upon a member of this Association in its banking rooms, or in the rooms of such branches as are members, either by forgery, check-raising, worthless or bogus checks, swindle, sneak theft, robbery, hold-up or burglary therein, the committee will at once use its best efforts to apprehend the criminal. No action, however, will be taken unless immediate notice is given, and **a case once committed to the Association cannot be taken out of its hands nor the offense condoned or compromised.** If for any reason whatsoever no prosecution takes place when the member is in a legal position to aid in the prosecution, and fails to do so, such member shall reimburse the Association for all expenses incurred in connection with the case reported.

2. In reporting cases the member agrees to swear out a warrant for the criminal concerned when his identity has been determined: or a John Doe warrant at once in states where permitted. The committee relentlessly pursues both amateur and professional criminals in cases of attempted or successful fraud or crime upon members of the Association, but cannot take cognizance of such offenses where perpetrated upon others than members, or of so-called "inside jobs" where the offender is an officer or employee of a member. The committee relies upon the state, county or local authorities to arrange for the extradition and the payment of expense incident to the return of a prisoner. The committee will not pay witness fees, and will not be responsible for any expense incurred for protective work which has not been previously authorized.

PROTECTIVE DEPARTMENT

L. W. GAMMON, MANAGER
Five Nassau Street, New York

JANUARY PROTECTIVE WORK

WARNING

NEGRO SWINDLER RESUMES OPERATIONS

Representing himself as a minister, old operator starts swindling tour through the South

REV. ALEXANDER MULLEN. On December 15, 1917, a negro, representing himself as an Episcopal minister, opened an account, under the name of W. J. White, at a Macon, Ga., member bank by depositing a small check and a small amount of cash. Shortly after he deposited a large check, which was later returned as bogus, drawn on the Luther Williams Banking Company, of Macon, Ga. This man had all the appearances of being a minister, and the bank teller, believing him to be as represented, did not hesitate to accept checks which he tendered. White then went to another Macon bank and drew a draft against the account which he had opened on December 15, and the bank on which it was drawn honored the same, thereby losing a considerable amount. This operator also attempted to defraud several other Macon, Ga., banks, but was unsuccessful.



F. A. MULLEN

White, whose true name is Frederick A. Mullen, is an old operator, and started his swindling transactions in the year 1911. Since then he has swindled a great many banks throughout the country, and he has spent some little time in prisons, but evidently his prison terms did not convince him that the straight and narrow path is the safest and best. It is our belief that this man intends to make a swindling tour of the South, and all banks would do well to watch for him. A warrant for his arrest is now held by the Bibb County sheriff, at Macon, Ga., and he should be arrested on sight. Among the numerous names used by this operator are the following: K. K. Smith, Alexander Powell, D. J. Williams, F. A. Alexander, F. C. Miller, N. F. Weston, etc. Articles relative to this man have appeared in the following JOURNAL Supplements: December, 1911, page 380; April, 1912, page 623; May, 1912, page 695; August, 1912, page 117; and April, 1916, page 155. Mullen is described as 43 years of age, 6 feet 4 inches, 165 pounds, dark brown complexion; has black

hair, brown eyes; may have a black mustache. Bertillon measurements: 94.7 99.0 91.7 19.5 16.1 — 6.3 26.6 13.8 10.5 63.3.

S. AXEL. An individual claiming to be S. Axel has victimized a Wheeling, W. Va., member by means of a forged indorsement. The check was mailed in Wheeling, addressed to a point in New York City, but it was never received by the addressee. We believe this to be another case of mail box theft. The payee's indorsement was forged as was the indorsement of the maker, the latter purporting to be an identification indorsement. No description of the operator is available.

L. A. AUSTIN. An Overland Park, Kan., member has suffered a small loss on account of cashing a check for L. A. Austin, who was introduced by a depositor. The check used by the operator was drawn on the Farmers and Merchants Bank of Marshville, N. C., a non-existing institution. Austin's description is 21 years, 6 feet 2 inches, 175 to 180 pounds.

ED. BOLLAN. This individual had an accomplice telephone the member bank located at South Holland, Ill., which he intended to victimize. The accomplice stated that he was a clerk in the Illinois Trust and Savings Bank, Chicago, and that he was speaking for a Mr. L. S. Hungerford, who had an account at that bank; he asked if the South Holland bank would cash a check for Mr. Hungerford's foreman so that the latter could pay off his men. Later a check in a small amount purporting to have been signed by Mr. L. S. Hungerford was presented at the bank by a party claiming to be Ed. Bollan, and the same was cashed. It later developed that the check was a forgery. The operator is described as about 6 feet tall, of slender build; had a very long, thin face, and wore workman's clothes.

J. J. BOYLE opened an account at a San Francisco, Cal., member bank by depositing a check in the amount of \$172, drawn on another San Francisco bank. Later it was ascer-

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tained that the check in question had been raised from \$1, but in the meanwhile Boyle had checked against his account and reduced his balance to a few dollars. Since then Boyle has continued to issue worthless checks on the bank in which he had opened an account. In most of his worthless check operations this man has been accompanied by a woman claiming to be Mrs. J. J. Boyle. J. J. Boyle is 28 years of age, 5 feet 7 inches, 120 pounds; has blond hair; wore exceptionally fine clothes. Mrs. J. J. Boyle is 24 years of age, 5 feet 5 inches, 115 pounds; has blond hair; is very well dressed.

The California Bankers Association is prorating the expenses of an investigation with this Association.

R. L. BURNS. This man was employed as a farm hand in the vicinity of Kansas City, Mo. He hauled a load of corn into Kansas City and received a check in payment for the same. He forged his employer's indorsement to the check, and cashed it at a Kansas City member bank. He is about 25 to 30 years of age, 6 feet 4 inches, 175 to 180 pounds; has dark eyes and brown hair.

JOHN J. BURTON, JR. Early in December, 1917, an individual claiming to be John J. Burton, Jr., appeared in Prescott, Ariz. He approached a local oil well owner, having in his possession a letter of introduction from a firm of Phoenix, Ariz. He stated that his father was a large jeweler of New York city. Being satisfied as to his identity, this man introduced him at a local member bank, where he presented a large check drawn on a New York city member, which check was supposed to have been signed by a member of a well-known New York jewelry firm. The New York bank accepted the check through the clearings, and the forgery of the signature was not discovered until the depositor's account was balanced. After the Prescott bank received advice of payment, they allowed the operator to withdraw all funds deposited. The New York bank will prosecute the operator, if apprehended, and our detective agents are making an investigation. John J. Burton, Jr., has also "floated" numerous worthless checks throughout the West, the same being drawn on the Guaranty Trust Company, of New York city. His description is as follows: about 26 years of age, 5 feet 9 inches, 150 pounds, medium complexion, black eyes, black hair; wears heavy tortoise shell rimmed glasses; has a Roman nose and appears to be a Hebrew, which he denies.

John J. Burton Jr.

EUGENE F. CALLAHAN has succeeded in victimizing several member banks in the states of New York and Connecticut by means of bogus checks in small amounts. Again the uniform of the United States Army has influenced bank tellers to cash checks. In one instance this individual represented himself to be an engineer at West Point; another time he appeared wearing the chevrons of a first sergeant and the hat cord of the Engineers Corps. He will call at a bank, appearing to be in no hurry, and will talk about army life, probably referring to a few local men who are in the army. Then he will present a small check payable to himself and secure the funds on the same; of course, the check is returned marked "no account." Banks in the two states mentioned and in adjacent states would do well to bear this article in mind. Callahan is described as follows: about 30 years of age, 5 feet 9 to 10 inches, 150 to 160 pounds; there is a cut over his left eye in which four stitches have been taken; his face is tanned, and he appears to have been in the service. We are reproducing a specimen of his handwriting.

Eugene F. Callahan.

H. E. CORBYN, JR. A member bank of Cape Girardeau, Mo., has caused a warrant to be issued for Corbyn, charging him with defrauding them by means of a worthless check drawn on a bank at Kirkwood, Mo. This operator is described as 23 years, 5 feet 11 inches, 180 pounds; ruddy complexion, blue eyes, black hair; a fast walker.

L. S. COUGILL. In December, 1915, a Dayton, Ohio, member bank was victimized through the operations of this individual. We have now been advised that another Dayton bank has suffered a loss by accepting a large check from Cougill and allowing him to draw a considerable sum of money on the check. The bogus checks drawn by this operator were on the Union Loan and Trust Company, of Union City, Ind. He is a speculator, and gains the confidence of the bank by being introduced, and cashing several good checks. Then he presents a bogus check in a large amount and is allowed to draw against it.

R. W. EMERSON. An Oakland, Cal., member has been victimized by this man. Emerson was employed as secretary of the Pacific Coast Defense League, and in that capacity he had some dealings with the president of the bank. Later he presented a bogus check in a small amount drawn on the First National Bank, Portland, Ore., and secured the funds on the same. The California Bankers Association is co-operating in financing an investigation.

L. E. FINLEY. We have been advised that a short time ago this individual made a small cash deposit at the Salem State Bank, of Salem, Ill., securing a check book of that bank. Immediately thereafter he began issuing small checks, and reduced his balance to two dollars. Since then he has passed several checks in larger amounts, which the bank has had to return on account of insufficient funds. Thus far we have no record of this operator having defrauded a bank.

PRODROMOS GIRSTAIRON or PRODROMOS VASILION. An individual using either of the above names entered a Bethlehem, Pa., member bank, on December 27, 1917, claimed to be the brother of a depositor, and asked to be allowed to draw a small amount of money. His request was granted, and a few days later he presented two more withdrawal orders, which the bank honored, closing out the account. It was later established that the depositor's bank book had been stolen and his brother had disappeared.

WM. GORDON. Several California member banks have been victimized through the operations of this individual. He opened accounts at several banks, generally making an initial deposit of cash. He then began kiting checks, and has been quite successful thus far, finally victimizing the bank by

Wm Gordon

depositing a check in a large amount and being allowed to draw against it. In most of his operations he has claimed to be a novelty salesman. Besides Wm. Gordon this operator has used the following names: Chas. Murray, David Dean, G. Martin, James Starr, H. Ferdney and E. Brown. He is described as 48 years, 5 feet 9 inches, 180 pounds, sandy complexion; has a sandy mustache, stubby cut; sharp nose, sunken cheeks and gray sideboards.

The California Bankers Association is prorating the expenses of an investigation with this Association.

H. H. HANNA called at a Cleveland member bank, and representing himself to be an official of the Illinois Construction Company, deposited a check in a large amount drawn on the Washington Park National Bank, Chicago, Ill. He was allowed to draw a small sum of money and then disappeared. Shortly thereafter the check was returned by the bank on which it was drawn, as H. H. Hanna had never had an account there. The operator is 24 to 27 years, 5 feet 10 inches, 155 pounds, rather dark complexion, blue eyes, brown hair.

H. H. Hanna

H. C. HANSON. While a depositor of a Spokane, Wash., member bank was sick in a hospital, H. C. Hanson acted as his nurse, and in that capacity had access to the depositor's check book. Evidently he thought he might be able to use a couple of checks, and helped himself. Later two checks in the amount of twenty-five dollars, payable to H. C. Hanson, and purporting to have been signed by the depositor, were presented at the bank and paid over the counter. The signatures proved to be forgeries, so the bank is the victim. Our Spokane detective agents are making an investigation of this matter.

The Washington Bankers Association is pro-rating the expense with this Association.

BILL M. HOOVER. A man claiming to be Bill M. Hoover, stating that he was a railroad man, approached a conductor in a pool parlor at Belleville, Kan., and stated that he had had nothing to eat since leaving Goodland, Kan. The conductor obliged the man by giving him a check in a small amount. Hoover evidently used the signature on that check as a specimen, and forged two checks, on which a Belleville, Kan., member suffered a loss.

FRED JENRICH recently defrauded a Willow City, N. D., member by means of a mortgage swindle. He is described as 32 years, 5 feet 10 inches, 155 to 160 pounds; very fair complexion and rosy cheeks, brown hair, blue eyes, brown mustache; German.

HARRY JONES has defrauded a Boonsboro, Md., member by means of a raised check. While on a train, this young fellow fell in with an agent for some check protectograph company, and the latter explained to him how easy it was to raise a check and get it cashed. Jones became so interested that when he got home he showed his father how it was done; in fact, the agent's explanation was so complete that Jones thought he would try it out. He secured a check from a local farmer in the amount of \$16.95, raised it to \$60.95, and experienced no difficulty in having it cashed at the bank. This operator is 22 years of age, 5 feet 2 inches; stout, sandy hair; has one gold tooth in the front of his mouth.

P. KING (negro). Representing himself to be P. King, an operator has defrauded a Little Rock, Ark., member by means of a forged check. P. King is a negro who has an account at the bank in question. The man who presented the check is a negro and is described as 50 years, medium height, 160 pounds; has a rather yellowish complexion, black eyes and black hair.

THOMAS J. LYNN. Representing himself to be the son of a Philadelphia tea merchant, Lynn recently defrauded a member bank of Macomb, Ill., by means of a worthless check on the Land Title & Trust Co., Philadelphia. Lynn is 30 to 35 years, 5 feet 8 inches, 155 pounds; has rather dark

complexion, dark eyes and hair. He makes an excellent appearance and is a well-educated man.

PETER MARTIN was given a check by the party named thereon as payee for the purpose of paying his indebtedness on a certain transaction. Martin failed to use the check for that purpose, but appropriated it to his own use, cashing the same at a St. Paul, Minn., member bank. Payment was stopped on the check, with the result that the St. Paul bank was victimized.

J. M. MCBETH is operating in the southern states with bogus certified checks, purporting to be signed by the treasurer of the S. W. Texas Truck Land Co. These checks are on the paper of the Mercantile Trust Company, Little Rock, Ark., at which bank the S. W. Texas Truck Land Co. has no account. So far only hotel proprietors have been the victims of this man, but he may approach a bank teller next.

St. Paul

LOUISE MCFALL, alias Louise Anderson, alias Mrs. Roy Butler. Representing herself to be Mrs. Roy Butler, this operator succeeded in having two forged checks cashed at a Bartlesville, Okla., member bank. It later developed that there is no Mrs. Roy Butler, and the bank stands to lose the amount of the checks. This operator is described as 27 years of age (only looks 24 or 25), 5 feet 8 inches, 160 to 165 pounds, light complexion, blue gray eyes, light hair.

C. J. McMURRAY has defrauded a Livingston, Mont., member by means of four forged checks in small amounts, the forgeries not being discovered until the customer's account was balanced at the end of December. An article relative to the operations of this individual was published in the November, 1917, JOURNAL Supplement, page 69. In August, 1917, he victimized a Spokane, Wash., member, using the name J. C. Murray. Both Murray and his wife are cooks, and while engaged in that occupation they steal checks from their employers, forging the latter's name to the same. Murray has also worked at times as a cement finisher. He is described as 35 years of age, 5 feet 7 inches, 165 pounds, stockily built; has dark brown hair, graying about his temples, dark eyes, broken nose.

HARRY MEYER appeared at a Chicago member bank, and after satisfying the cashier as to his identity, by exhibiting several credentials, he presented a check for a small amount on the Fort Dearborn National Bank, Chicago, purporting to have been signed by a member of the firm of Henry H. Freeman & Company, commission merchants, Chicago, which check was cashed. The check was later returned with the notation, "Signature not authorized." Our Chicago detective agents will make an investigation of the matter.

HENRY I. RUBENSTEIN, a deserter from the United States Army, has defrauded a member at St. Louis, Mo., by checking against an account opened with a check in a small amount, drawn on the West Dayton Commercial and Savings Bank, Dayton, Ohio, which check was later returned as worthless. This operator has represented himself as either a sergeant or a lieutenant in the Ordnance Department of the United States Army; he also claimed that he was in St. Louis on a secret mission to apprehend slackers. Rubenstein is about

26 years old, 5 feet 10 inches, 185 pounds, ruddy complexion, dark hair; is slightly bowlegged; wears a lieutenant's uniform with the insignia of the Ordnance Department; appears to be a Hebrew.

Sgt H. J. Rubenstein

ERICK SAMSON secured funds from a Lemmon, S. D., member by giving mortgages on cattle as security. The end of last October Samson left for parts unknown, leaving his wife. When the bank endeavored to collect the notes, it was claimed by the operator's wife that she owned the cattle, as she had purchased the same and was able to show a bill of sale therefor. It is believed that Samson may have joined the United States Navy.

We are advised by one of our members of Middletown, Ohio, that checks are being drawn upon their counter checks by one C. A. SCHRADER, payable to the order of J. D. Newton, in amounts ranging from \$40 to \$100. These checks are coming in bearing the indorsement of eastern banks and several New York city banks. They are all worthless, as no one either by the name of Schrader or Benton has accounts with the member at Middletown. This is to warn bank members against accepting checks referred to above.

HENRY M. SHERWOOD, alias Page M. Meredith, is defrauding attorneys in the East, principally New York city and Baltimore, by getting them to cash forged checks drawn on a member bank in New Orleans, La., and purporting to be signed by a prominent firm of attorneys in that city. He usually presents a forged letter of introduction; frequently he has his mail sent in care of his prospective victim, and in the latter's presence withdraws from the envelope a forged check, which from all appearances was issued by the New Orleans law firm. To evade the necessity of proper identification at the bank, he requests his victim to cash the check for him as an accommodation. He is 35 to 40 years of age, 5 feet 7 inches tall, 145 pounds; of slender build; has a fair complexion, dark eyes and hair; has a small, light sandy mustache; and has the appearance of a law clerk.

Henry M. Sherwood

MRS. F. C. STROBEL has defrauded banks at Fort Wayne, Ind., and Huntington, Ind., by worthless checks. This is another case of check kiting. The operator exchanged checks between the several banks at which she had opened accounts, then presented a worthless check in a large amount and was permitted to draw against the same. This woman has also used the names of Margaret Strobel, B. R. Tracy and Marie Holt.

TORWALD THORSEN. We have been advised by a Rock Rapids, Iowa, member that this man secured an \$8.32 check from a customer of theirs, then raised the amount to \$80.32, securing the money. Thorsen is 5 feet 5 inches, 165 to 170 pounds; has light hair, blue eyes; is a Norwegian; speaks plain English, but with some brogue in his speech.

The Iowa Bankers Association is pro-rating the expense with this Association.

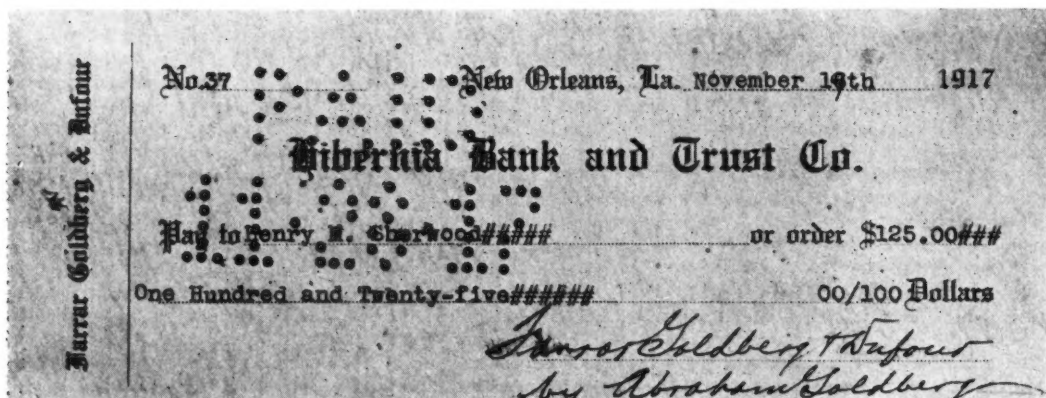
EDWARD M. TRAVIS. While employed as a bookkeeper for the Superior Portland Cement Company at Concrete, Wash., Travis stole six blank checks and after forging the signature of the company's officials, presented them to various merchants. A local member bank, upon receiving these checks through the clearings, paid upon them and thereby suffered a loss. He is 40 years, 5 feet 9 inches, 160 pounds; has dark complexion and hair, gray eyes, round face, prominent nose, high forehead, military bearing and has the appearance of an Englishman.

The Washington Bankers Association is pro-rating the expense with this Association.

H. VRALSAN succeeded in having a Cleveland member bank cash a check in the amount of \$697, he having secured the indorsement of a man well known at the bank. Later developments proved that the indorsement, "H. Vrsan," was a forgery, and the Cleveland man stated that when he indorsed the check it was in the amount of \$137; the check was originally made out in that amount. The Cleveland member is a loser and will prosecute, if the operator is apprehended. Our detective agents are endeavoring to get a description of the operator and will work upon the case.

W. E. WALKER has defrauded a Coleman, S. D., member by forging the signature of their customer to his checks. He is described as 210 pounds; wears dark clothes and claims to be a mason.

A. G. WISNER has victimized member banks in New Orleans. His mode of operation is to consult a lawyer about



the collection of a past due thirty-day promissory note, payable to A. G. Wisner, signed J. A. Flemming, and usually in the amount of \$2,500. At Wisner's request the lawyer will write Flemming a letter demanding payment, which letter Wisner, as Flemming, will receive, and will answer, sending what purports to be a certified check for the principal of the note plus the interest. Flemming will then ask the attorney to introduce him at a bank, in order to make some investment of the money represented by the forged certified check. Out of the proceeds the attorney's fee is paid, part of the money is secured in cash, part in United States Liberty Bonds, etc., and the balance is left on deposit at the bank. Banks in New Orleans and the vicinity should be on the lookout for this operator. He is described as 45 to 50 years of age, 5 feet 6 inches, 140 pounds, pale complexion; has slightly gray hair; and wears eyeglasses.

A. G. Wisner
J. A. Flemming

D. ED. YOST has defrauded a Pittsburgh member out of a considerable amount of money by bogus checks. Yost conducted an automobile business in Pittsburgh and was a depositor of the bank he defrauded. He deposited four bogus checks, drawn on the Garrick Bank, Garrick, Pa. For one of these checks he received one of his notes, which had been held by the interested bank, and he drew against the other three checks before they were returned by the Garrick Bank.

GENERAL

NOTE KITERS CONVICTED

Max M. Hart and Adolph E. Wupperman plead guilty to fraudulent use of the mails

In the JOURNAL-BULLETIN for September, 1914, we published articles on pages 137 and 182 relative to the conviction of these two men and two accomplices at Watertown, N. Y., and the subsequent sentence of Hart and Wupperman. The latter two appealed to the U. S. Circuit Court of Appeals, who on April 20, 1917, granted them a new trial. They were retried the week of January 7, 1918, before Hon. Augustus N. Hand, U. S. District Judge, at Syracuse, N. Y. On January 11, 1918, Hart and Wupperman plead guilty. The latter was sentenced to pay a fine of \$2,500, which was paid at once. Hart's sentence was deferred until January 14, 1918, on which date he was sentenced to pay a fine of \$3,000, which was also paid.

Hart has been connected with the note kiting game for a number of years, and members of this Association, as well as individuals, have suffered as the result of his operations. The loss accruing from said operations represents a large amount.

OTTO BAUMAN has been located and his arrest effected through the endeavors of our Chicago detective agents. The investigation made in connection with this operator was made

in the interest of the Iowa Bankers Association, the bank being a non-member of our Association.

J. W. BEEMAN. We have been advised that this individual has been drawing checks on the Cullison State Bank, of Cullison, Kan., forging the name of R. O. Childers. Beeman is a carpenter by trade and probably has a large chest of tools with him. He is described as 5 feet 11 inches tall, round shouldered, slightly bald; several teeth are missing.

B. J. BRIDGES was introduced at a Prineville, Ore., member bank by a depositor, and secured cash on a check for a small sum. The check was later returned as worthless and B. J. Bridges had disappeared.

The Oregon Bankers Association is pro-rating the expense with this Association.

BEN BRIGGS. This individual operated in Thatcher, Ariz., recently. He defrauded a member bank by forging the name of one of their customers. The last heard of him he was in San Diego, Cal. He is described as 25 years, 5 feet 6 inches, 135 pounds, light complexion, blue eyes and blond hair.

R. D. DAVAL is preparing an extensive swindling tour, judging from the elaborate arrangements he has made in having checks printed, purporting to be issued by the C. J. Moffett Medicine Co., St. Louis, Mo. These checks are drawn upon the Mechanics American National Bank, St. Louis. The C. J. Moffett Medicine Co. has no account at the bank mentioned, and is believed to be a non-existing firm. We have been informed of one transaction at Baxley, Ga., wherein a check payable to Daval and signed by A. P. Boswell, secretary and treasurer, and countersigned E. C. Floyd, Southern Sales Manager, was used. We have been unable to secure a reliable description of Daval.

R. D. Daval
R. D. Daval

BLUNT FIELDS. (This operator endeavored to secure funds on a check drawn on a Talmay, Kan., bank. Due to the fact that the operator was intoxicated at the time he made the request the member bank was not interested and did not learn the name of the bank in question. Fields is described as 35 years, 5 feet 7 inches, 120 pounds; has dark complexion, dark hair, wore a large, light-colored felt hat and had the appearance of a cowboy.

ISAAC FONTENO. An Okmulgee, Okla., member has advised us that a man using this name has defrauded them out of a considerable sum of money through misrepresentation and the selling of mortgaged property.

LEE FULLBRIGHT, alias James Weber, alias James Buerger, negro, is again under arrest at Denver, Colo., charged with stealing a sum of money from a Denver member. By referring to the October and December, 1917, issues of the JOURNAL Supplement articles concerning this operator may be found. In this instance it is alleged that Fullbright entered the bank and, watching for an opportunity, thrust his arm through the opening in the teller's window and left the bank with a package of currency. He was observed, however, by a bank employee who gave chase and finally caught up with him.

P. HANRAHAN has secured possession of check books of two New York city banks, and has been issuing bogus checks broadcast in that city. He purchases goods and pays for them with checks. He secures no cash, and the merchandise is sent back, so he obtains no material benefit from the checks. He has surrendered the two check books that he had, but he will probably get other checks in some manner, and again start to tender them to merchants.

F. A. HOWLAND is issuing checks drawn against the First National Bank, Eureka, Kan. He is not known at this bank. He is said to be a carpenter by trade. His victims are numbered among the merchants. Missouri and bordering states have been the seat of his operations.

R. L. KIRK has secured possession of a check book of the Farmers Savings Bank, of Poplar Bluff, Mo., at which bank he has no account. He has been issuing checks on that bank quite freely throughout the central and southern states, signing the same R. L. Kirk, A. L. Clark and W. L. Myers. In one of his operations he claimed to be working for the Red Cross Society. He is described as 45 years of age, about 5 feet 6 inches, 145 pounds; florid complexion and smooth shaven.

R. L. Kirk.

RAYMOND MARTIN. Following the holding up of a Cotton Plant, Ark., non-member bank, Martin was arrested by the McClelland, Ark., authorities. Practically all the money lost was recovered. Martin, who is 18 years of age, confessed to the crime and is being held awaiting trial.

IRA McDANIEL recently passed a forged check in Chicago, drawn on a member bank of St. Louis, Mo. The check purported to have been issued by the Diagraph Stencil Machine Corporation.

L. J. MORRIS. A man claiming to be L. J. Morris has defrauded a Kansas City merchant by means of a bogus check, drawn on the paper of the Southwest National Bank of Commerce, Kansas City, Mo., and purporting to be signed by one L. C. Wittcomb. Morris exhibited a chauffeur's license as a means of identification. His description, as given to us, is as follows: 25 to 27 years of age, 5 feet 8 or 9 inches, 145 pounds, light complexion and light hair.

L. J. Morris

J. L. NESBITT. A Buffalo, Wyo., member has reported suffering a loss through cashing a forged check for J. L. Nesbitt. Nesbitt is a printer and was employed by the *Sheridan Post*, Sheridan, Wyo.

V. L. PHILLIPS. An operator assuming the name of V. L. Phillips has been securing funds from individuals in Kansas City, by presenting checks to which he has forged the name of one Victor L. Phillips. The Kansas City member, on whom these checks were drawn, paid on two of them, and therefore is a loser. The checks used were stolen from the depositor's check book. An investigation will be made.

SPEROS L. PONTOS. An operator assuming the name of Speros L. Pontos has defrauded a Grand Rapids, Mich., member bank out of a considerable sum of money. The total amount on deposit was withdrawn by means of two drafts accompanied by the depositor's pass book, the same being forwarded from out-of-town banks. Shortly thereafter the bank received a telegram from Speros L. Pontos stating that he had lost his pass book. Our Detroit Detective Agents are making an investigation of the matter.

E. M. ROGERS has victimized a Waterloo, Iowa, member by means of checks bearing the forged signature of a depositor. He was formerly employed by the man whose name he forged to the checks.

The Iowa Bankers Association is pro-rating the expense with this Association.



OSCAR RUDD

OSCAR RUDD, who defrauded a Cordova, Alaska, member by forging a check which was paid by the bank, has been arrested at Deer Lodge, Mont., and on November 4, 1917, was sentenced to a term of not less than 1 year nor more than 2 years in the Montana State Penitentiary.

H. RUSSELL, alias W. P. Barrett, has victimized an Oakland, Cal., member by means of two checks bearing the forged signature of a depositor. The forgeries were not discovered until after the account had been balanced, and the bank is unable to give any description of the operator. The California Bankers Association is co-operating with this Association in the financing of an investigation.

CAPTAIN J. C. SAVAGE. Jewelers and merchants in Alexandria, La., have been defrauded by bogus checks on member banks in San Antonio, Tex., and Alexandria, La., by a man representing himself to be Captain J. C. Savage, United States Field Artillery. The bogus checks were given in payment for merchandise, the balance being received in cash. This operator also victimized a Tulsa, Okla., member and an individual of that city by means of bogus checks.

On January 12, 1918, Savage was arrested in Sapulpa, Okla. He will be prosecuted by the government. He was bound over to the grand jury, and was taken to Muskogee, Okla., on January 17. At this writing his case has not as yet been disposed of.

MRS. PEARL M. SEIELSTAD has defrauded a Jerome, Ariz., member by means of a worthless check drawn on the First National Bank of Newport Beach, Cal.

GEORGE E. SERMAN, alias John Calvin, who has a long police record, was arrested on November 24 by the Kansas City, Mo., police while attempting to cash a check purporting to have been issued by the Standard Rendering Company,

a local firm. Prior to his arrest Serman successfully operated against three café proprietors with similar checks.

SAM SOLSO has defrauded a Laurel, Mont., member bank by means of a check in a small amount, bearing the forged signature of one of their depositors. Solso previously worked for the firm whose name he forged.

JOHN SPIROPOULOS. An operator, assuming the name of John Spiropoulos, forged that name to a withdrawal slip, and thereby defrauded a Salt Lake City member out of a considerable sum of money. Our Detective Agency's Salt Lake City representative will make an investigation.

ROBERT THOMPSON is floating bogus checks in the city of St. Louis. The checks are drawn on the Third National Bank, St. Louis, Mo., and are made payable to and are signed by different parties in each instance. Thus far only merchants have been victims.

Robert Thompson

J. W. TUTTLE, alias J. W. Tuthill. Several individuals in the Pacific coast region have suffered losses by cashing checks for this operator, some of them being bogus and others bearing the forged signature of his wife. The checks are drawn on the paper of the First National Bank, of Hollywood, Cal.

ARRESTED

SOLDIER CHARMER AND FORGER

Sergeant Horace C. Payne is arrested

After a chase lasting three months and covering the principal cities of the country, Maurice Du Pars, with numerous aliases, was finally taken into custody by the Philadelphia authorities at the time he was posing as a first lieutenant and endeavoring to secure funds on his bogus draft, drawn against the American National Bank, San Diego, Cal.



M. DUPARS

This operator has numerous transactions to his credit. Just recently he came to the attention of our San Francisco and Los Angeles representatives, who were asked to locate him for his operations against our members, and also those of

the California Bankers Association, who co-operated in the investigations made.

While Du Pars was stationed with his company at San Francisco, he deserted and immediately took up his swindling transactions by defrauding a member at Hollister, Cal., by means of a bogus check. He then operated in Los Angeles and San Diego in the same manner.

Following his San Diego transactions, he made a tour of the country, touching at Detroit, Dallas and Baltimore, finally falling into the hands of the Philadelphia police, who are holding him for the Federal authorities. Should our members recognize this operator as having victimized them, they should immediately arrange to have a detainer warrant lodged with the Philadelphia authorities.

YOUNG BANK ROBBER FAILS

Another reader of "Diamond Dick" stories in custody

At noon on January 2, 1918, a lone masked bandit entered the bank of Taylor, Mo., and at the point of a gun held up and forced the lone employee, a woman, to place all the available funds in an empty sack. He then compelled the employee to enter the vault and closed it after her.

A few hours later, WILLIAM MITCHELL was arrested at Quincy, Ill., by the local authorities, and after being questioned he admitted his crime. Mitchell informed the police that his barber business was not paying so he decided to hold up a Maywood, Mo., bank, but after stealing an automobile and arriving at this bank he saw too many people there so continued on to the injured member.

He is 19 years, 5 feet 6 inches, 135 pounds; slender build, fair complexion, blue eyes and dark hair.



CLARENCE ANDERSON

CLARENCE ANDERSON, alias E. G. Smith, etc., has been arrested at Denver, Colo., by the local authorities, on the charge of issuing bogus checks. One of our Denver members accepted these checks as genuine, and thereby suffered a loss. He has used the aliases of O. L. Cohen, Walter Adams, C. J. Buckley, Garrett Costing, alias Capt. W. B. Milliken. He is being held awaiting the action of the Grand Jury.

DR. LEIGHTON BONNER, alias Robert L. Meyers, alias W. L. Bonner, who has been issuing bogus checks throughout the Southwest, is under arrest at Salt Lake City, Utah, same being caused by our local detective representative aided by the police. During his swindling tour Bonner ran a-foul of the Federal laws by representing himself to be an army officer



DR. LEIGHTON BONNER

and wearing the uniform of a lieutenant in the Medical Corps. He will have to answer this charge after he has satisfied the local authorities.

BANK EMPLOYEE TURNS FORGER

HARRY B. BRANDON, alias N. Bronson and NILS A. GREEN, alias N. A. Glaum. Brandon, while a bank employee, became acquainted with several inactive accounts and, with the aid of Green, he was successful in securing funds against these accounts by means of forged checks. Our Boston detective agents took up the case and eventually traced the operators to New York, where their representative was able to locate Green. This individual was placed under surveillance, and on December 9, 1917, he joined Brandon, whereupon both were placed under arrest. They confessed, waived extradition and returned to Boston, where Brandon entered a plea of guilty on one charge of forgery, and Green on two counts. They are now awaiting sentence.

H. H. DAVIS. By securing funds on uncollected items, and also issuing bogus cashiers' checks, Davis victimized an Ogden, Utah, member. He was traced to Gettysburg, S. D., where his arrest was caused by the local police. He was returned to Ogden and is now awaiting trial. He is 39 years, 5 feet 8 inches, 180 pounds; fair complexion, blue eyes, dark brown hair, graying.

ARCHITECT IS SWINDLER

VICTOR N. FROHLING. At one time Frohling was a well-to-do architect but due to business reverses he lost his all. In his endeavors to re-establish his credit Frohling met with very little success so he fell by the wayside and for some time past has been following the practice of securing funds on bogus checks. Up to the last of December he refrained from attacking our members but on the 29th he visited a Roslyn member and in renewing old acquaintances he was successful in securing a small advance on a worthless check. Our New York detective agents, upon being called in on the case, located Frohling in Brooklyn and effected his arrest, aided by the Brooklyn authorities. Frohling is 60 years, 5 feet 6 inches, 180 pounds; has grayish side and chin beard; carries a cane.

DAN HIGH has defrauded a Tulsa, Okla., member by securing funds on a check bearing their customer's signature. High presented this check at the local bank and claimed that it was received as payment for services rendered. The customer later returned the check as a forgery. A representative from our Kansas City detective agents located High and with the aid of the Tulsa police effected his arrest. His description is 38 to 40 years, 6 feet 1 inch, 195 pounds; medium dark complexion, dark sandy hair, graying; is untidy dresser.

W. T. JOYNER. In an investigation in which the Iowa Bankers Association co-operated in financing, our detective agents traced Joyner from Union, Iowa, to Minneapolis, thence to East Bend, N. C., where our Baltimore agents, aided by the local sheriff, effected his arrest. Joyner was able to defraud a Union member by means of checks bearing the forged signature of his brother. He is described as 33 years, 5 feet 7 inches, 165 pounds, blue eyes, black, curly hair; one toe on right foot missing; prominent nostrils.

ARIZONA JUSTICE

Robber and murderer received quick trial and sentence

While the First National Bank of Tombstone, Ariz., was in charge of a lone employee, a masked bandit entered the premises and ordered Mr. Brandt to hold up his hands. Instead of complying with the command, Mr. Brandt endeavored to secure a shot-gun near by, whereupon the bandit fired at him at close range and mortally wounded him. At this point the bandit evidently lost his nerve and left the bank without taking any of the funds. By an almost superhuman effort Mr. Brandt was able to fire his gun which raised an alarm. A posse was soon formed and the would-be robber captured. He was identified as FRED KOCH.

Mr. Brandt saved the funds of his institution at the loss of his own life, as he died shortly afterwards.



LYLE T. LAUB

LYLE T. LAUB, wanted by a Collinsville, Ill., member bank for defrauding them by being permitted to draw against an uncollected item, has been arrested at Indianapolis by the local authorities. He will have to answer a local charge and will then be returned to Collinsville. His description is 24 years, 5 feet 7 inches, 145 pounds; has dark blue eyes, light brown hair and very small feet. Laub has a police record and on April 22, 1918, was sentenced to 1 year in the Kentucky State Penitentiary.

HERBERT L. MCCLAIR. By opening an account with a Lansdowne, Pa., member with a check drawn on the Logan

Trust Company, Philadelphia, McClair victimized the member when he was permitted to draw against the uncollected item. Following his transaction, McClair was next heard of from Chicago, where he had defrauded a local hotel, and his chance acquaintance, George Demetrio, was arrested while endeavoring to secure further advances on the worthless checks. McClair was able to effect his escape but was later arrested by a hotel detective, when he was apprehended in the act of stealing an overcoat. Demetrio, who was an innocent victim of McClair, was eventually released. Since McClair's arrest it has been ascertained that he is a deserter. He will be tried on the Federal charge and then returned to Lansdowne. His description is 25 years, 5 feet 10 inches, 135 pounds; slender build.

PERCY MCDANIEL, alias Andrew Barker, is under arrest at Emporia, Kan., and is being held for the Wray, Colo., authorities. McDaniel's arrest was effected through the efforts of a representative of our Kansas City detective agents. By mortgaging property not his own, McDaniel caused a Wray member to sustain a loss. Following his swindling transaction, this operator left the vicinity in a small runabout and traveled to Kansas. Our agents covered the different points where it was thought he might visit. A lead was secured in Emporia and when our representative called at the place where McDaniel was supposed to be visiting, he was informed that the operator was out of the city. Previous to the call the investigator had received reliable information that he could be found there, so he was well prepared to act. Being accompanied by a local officer and armed with a search warrant, they proceeded to search the house and found McDaniel in bed fully dressed. He has acknowledged his transaction. His description is 22 years, 5 feet 8 inches, 160 pounds; dark complexion, black hair and eyes.



FRANK MEYERS

FRANK MEYERS, alias Henry Morgan (true name, Jack Koonce). A bogus check operator using the above mentioned aliases, operated against a Blytheville, Ark., member with a check drawn on the Union Bank & Trust Co., Searcy, Ark. A representative of our Memphis detective agents in investigating the case learned that one Jack Koonce had been arrested for a similar transaction and was being held in the penitentiary at Little Rock, Ark. Arrangements were made to have Koonce identified as Meyers. In this we were successful. No charge was filed, due to the fact that Koonce, alias Meyers, had just been sentenced on a previous charge.

L. C. MOORE (true name R. J. Hine) defrauded a Greeley, Colo., member by means of checks bearing the forged signature

of their depositor. Hine, alias Moore, became conscience stricken and gave himself up. He is 25 years, 5 feet 7 inches, 180 pounds; ruddy complexion, dark hair.

P. J. MORRISSEY, alias Ray D. Santarini, alias Thomas J. Boyle. Several months ago Morrissey was informed by a physician that he had only a short time to live, due to an incurable disease. Upon learning this, the operator gave up his position as a ship worker and started out to enjoy himself as much as possible before the end came. His first transaction was to forge the indorsement to a note whereby he secured funds from a Healdsburg, Cal., member. With these funds he settled up several small debts and then to replenish his funds, he started on a bogus check-passing tour, which finally ended in Los Angeles, where our local detective agents, aid by the police, located and caused his arrest. The California Bankers Association aided in financing the investigation. Morrissey is described as 33 years, 5 feet 7 inches, 135 pounds; red hair, ruddy complexion.



E. F. MILLIGAN

E. F. MILLIGAN. Just recently released from a penitentiary on a forgery charge, having been placed on parole, Milligan immediately took up his swindling transactions, and caused a Phoenix, Ariz., member to sustain a loss, when they paid on a check bearing the forged signature of one of their depositors. Following this transaction, Milligan left Phoenix, en route to California, but was arrested at Kingman, Ariz., by the local authorities. He has been returned to Phoenix for trial. Inasmuch as he is a parole violator, it will be necessary for him to complete his unexpired term and then answer for his last crime.

RALPH NOBLE, alias Ralph Moble, is under arrest at Oklahoma City, Okla., charged with issuing forged checks drawn on the First State Bank of that city. These checks bore the forged signature of an official of the Tucker Brothers Amusement Co. A local member accepted one of these checks as genuine, thereby sustaining a loss. The local authorities effected Noble's arrest.

DONALD PERSCH, alias D. L. Loomis, etc. Many of Persch's victims will be pleased to know that this operator is now under arrest at Los Angeles, where he attempted to defraud the Alexandria Hotel. At the present time our Kansas City representatives are endeavoring to arrange with their



DONALD PERSCH

authorities to return Persch there, where he is wanted for defrauding a local member with his forged check stolen from a Chicago merchant.

WAITTIE PETTIT, alias W. B. Pettit, alias B. G. Pettit. By obtaining funds on a mortgage on an automobile, which later events proved he did not own, Pettit has caused a Chelsea, Okla., member to suffer a loss. Our Kansas City detective agents have been tracing his movements for several weeks and finally on January 6, 1918, their representative located him at Fort Smith, Ark., and with the aid of the local authorities effected his arrest. After considerable questioning, Pettit acknowledged his fraudulent transactions. He will be returned to Chelsea.

L. S. SMITH, who victimized a member bank of Tulsa, Okla., by means of checks bearing the forged signature of his former employer, has been arrested, with a woman companion, by the Topeka authorities. Smith is an automobile mechanic and is 22 to 24 years, 5 feet 5 inches, 135 pounds; has dark complexion, dark hair and smooth shaven.

ANNA TULLY, using the name of Eleanor Savin, has victimized a Philadelphia member bank by means of a forged check. She forged her employer's name to a check, and due to the fact that she had been in the habit of making deposits for her employer, she did not have any difficulty in getting the funds on the check in question. On January 21, 1918, Anna Tully was arrested in Philadelphia and was held on a charge of incorrigibility and being a runaway. Her description follows: 17 years of age, 5 feet 2 inches, 125 pounds; light complexion, chestnut hair, large brown eyes.

HENRY A. WALGER, alias Joe Wanekga, alias Joe Wanek. Using his knowledge of the personal effects of a Wallis, Texas, member, Walger, alias Wanekga, forged the signature of his friend to a check and secured the funds from the member. Our Houston office representative, after questioning several suspects, became convinced that Walger was the operator. After considerable questioning and being identified by the member bank, he confessed and will plead guilty. He is 21 years, 5 feet 10 inches, 170 pounds; hair, eyes and complexion dark.

ERRET WARD. In July, 1914, Ward defrauded a member bank of Wichita Falls, Texas, by means of a forged draft. Recently, while a representative of our Houston agents was engaged upon another matter, he chanced to see Ward on the street. Knowing that this operator was "wanted," our agent placed him under surveillance and notified the proper authorities as to his whereabouts. Ward is now awaiting to be returned to Wichita Falls.

JOHN V. WILLMAN. Through information supplied by Sheriff Carman, of Eau Claire, Wis., our Houston detective agents have been able to locate and effect the arrest of Willman. This operator was wanted by a Duluth, Minn., member for swindling them with a note bearing the forged indorsement of a prominent business man. Willman is 26 years, 5 feet 11 inches, 165 pounds; blue eyes, chalky complexion.

G. H. WILLIAMS (negro), alias Davis, a negro voo-doo doctor and spirit medium, defrauded a member bank of Lake Providence, La., by means of a bogus check, they permitting him to draw against an uncollected item. He has been arrested at Lake Village, Ark., by our detective agents and the local authorities, and is now awaiting trial at the scene of the crime.

PRINCES WILLIAMS (negro) has been apprehended at New York city by our local detective agents for defrauding a member bank by means of worthless coupons. Williams chose a time when the member was busily engaged in the last Liberty Loan campaign, and was successful in having his coupons accepted. He is now awaiting trial. His description is 49 years of age, 5 feet 10 inches, 160 pounds, stock build, black complexion.

REMOVED

W. H. ALKIRE has been released upon being permitted to make restitution.

DR. LEIGHTON BONNER, alias Robert L. Meyers, alias W. L. Bonner, has been sentenced to a term of 45 days in the Salt Lake County jail on a worthless check-passing charge. He will be returned to Kansas City, Mo., by the Federal authorities upon completion of his term.

VINCENT BURTON, recently arrested charged with being implicated in the directory swindle, was declared not guilty by a jury and was released. Following the trial one of the jurors, in thinking over the case, remembered that he had been defrauded by a man with a like name. He examined his file, and after submitting his fine to the prosecuting attorney, Burton was rearrested and is now awaiting trial on new charges preferred by the ex-juor.

OLIVER H. COLLINS, alias Oliver H. Summers. While being held on a charge of being implicated with the forging of a note, Collins was given the privilege of enlisting. He has been given a suspended sentence, and is being held pending advice from the recruiting office.

CLIFFORD DANIELSON has been sentenced to an indeterminate term in the Blackwell's Island Penitentiary for his share in a directory swindle.

LINCOLN DANIELSON has been sentenced to an indeterminate term in Blackwell's Island Penitentiary.

C. A. FRETWELL has been found guilty by court martial of negotiating bad checks in Florida and Georgia and was sentenced to a dishonorable discharge from the army, to forfeit all pay and a term of 1 year at hard labor in the Federal Penitentiary, Fort Leavenworth, Kan.

VICTOR N. FROHLING entered a plea of guilty of issuing worthless checks, and due to the small amount involved, he was permitted to make restitution and was released.

EMORY HARTZIG has been given a sentence of 2 years, 6 months, to 4 years, 6 months in Sing Sing Prison, Ossining, N. Y.

CHARLES F. ROUSKA entered a plea of guilty of forgery and was sentenced to serve a term of 2½ years in the State Reformatory, Des Moines, Iowa.

CHARLES HUTTER entered a plea of guilty to raising a check and attempting to pass same, was given an indeterminate sentence in the State Reformatory and was immediately paroled. This parole requires that Hutter report to the parole officer once each month.

W. T. JOYNER. While being held for the Iowa authorities so as to be returned to Union, Iowa, Joyner effected his escape, and is now a fugitive from justice.

FRED KOCH was tried in the Superior Court, where he pleaded guilty to attempt to commit murder, and was sentenced to life imprisonment, or to the minimum of 25 years, in the State Penitentiary, Florence, Ariz. This state has an anti-capital punishment law.

ANNIE KZYONOWSKY, implicated in a forged savings withdrawal swindle, pleaded guilty and upon offering to make restitution was permitted to do so and secured her release.

J. LINOID, alias G. E. Tabler, entered a plea of guilty of forgery and was sentenced to a term of 1 to 14 years in the State Penitentiary, San Quentin, Cal.

JUNE MARTIN, held for forgery, has been released.

FRANK MEYERS (true name Jack Koonce) has been sentenced to a term of 2 years at the State Farm, Tucker, Ark.

E. F. MILLIGAN has been returned to the State Penitentiary, Florence, Ariz., to complete the remainder of his term, approximately 10 years. He will then be tried for a forgery charge, the details of which appear in a previous article.

FRITZ MORRIS. Being charged with forging his wife's signature to a withdrawal order, Morris pleaded guilty and was permitted to make restitution, whereby he secured his release.

MRS. J. T. SIMMONS. Due to many peculiar circumstances surrounding this case, the prosecuting attorney was doubtful as to a conviction. He, therefore, permitted the interested bank to compromise the case, whereupon the operator secured her release.

EDWARD STEPHENS has been sentenced to an indeterminate term in the Blackwell Island Penitentiary.

TWAIN SULLIVAN has been permitted to settle the charges held against him.

ANNA TULLY was, on January 23, 1918, sentenced to serve a term of four years at Slaghton Farm, a state institution, at Darlington, Pa.

BRYAN TURLEY, alias John Graham, pleaded guilty and was sentenced to 1 year in the State Penitentiary, McAlister, Okla.

LOUIS N. YAEGER, who was convicted on a forgery charge in the Federal court, was sentenced to serve a term of 3 years in the State Reformatory, Des Moines, Iowa.

THOMAS YOUNG, alias Leo Young, has been sentenced to 3 months in the workhouse for his share in the Brooklyn directory swindle.

WILLIAM YOUNG, charged with being implicated in a Brooklyn directory swindle, has been released due to insufficient evidence to convict. Following his release new evidence was discovered and he is now wanted.

AWAITING ACTION

ALLEGED FORGERIES AND SWINDLES

Anderson, Clarence, bogus checks, Denver, Colo.
 Bachrack, Morris, forgery, Wilkes-Barre, Pa.
 Bacon, Floyd C., forgery, Conneaut, Ohio.
 Barker, Charles H., forgery, Pontiac, Ill.
 Baughman, A. H., swindle, Tulsa, Okla.
 Bender, George H., forgery, Lewiston, Mont.
 Benson, Fred, forgery, Elgin, Ill.
 Blackwell, Percy, worthless checks, Beckley, W. Va.
 Bland, W. F., bogus certificate of deposit, Yale, Okla.
 Blankman, David, forgeries, Boston, Mass.
 Boxley, P. H., bogus certificate of deposit, Hugo, Okla.
 Brandon, Harry B., forgery, Boston, Mass.
 Brock, J. A., forgery, Antlers, Okla.
 Buchanan, Francis, forgery, Pontiac, Ill.
 Buchanan, H. A., forgery, Oklahoma City, Okla.
 Buckley, J. W., forgery, Portland, Ore.
 Bundy, H. C., forgery, San Francisco, Cal.
 Burger, Otto, forgery, Chester, Pa.
 Campbell, George, forgery, Beckley, W. Va.
 Carter, Dave, forgery, Houston, Tex.
 Charles, W. W., mortgage swindle, Miami, Fla.
 Chippenfield, Austin B., forgery, Moundsville, W. Va.
 Chisholm, Frank, forgery, New York, N. Y.
 Christmas, Hyman H., forged telegram, Greenville, S. C.
 Churchill, Roy, forgery, Amarillo, Tex.
 Cogswell, A. J., forgery, New York, N. Y.
 Cole, W. R., attempt to swindle, Alexandria, La.
 Colley, R. B., bogus checks, Jackson, Miss.
 Colwell, H. H., forgery, Plainview, Tex.
 Comstock, W. J., forged indorsement, Detroit, Mich.
 Cooper, C. S., worthless checks, Los Angeles, Cal.
 Cooper, H. O., worthless drafts, Indianapolis, Ind.
 Dalton, Dewey, forgery, Harrison, Ark.
 Davis, H. H., bogus checks, Ogden, Utah.
 Douglas, T. H., forgery, Santa Barbara, Cal.
 Du Pars, Maurice, bogus checks, Philadelphia, Pa.
 Easterbrook, Gus, forgery, Alexandria, La.
 Evans, H. R., bogus certificate of deposit, Ada, Okla.
 Faith, James, forgery, Corona, N. M.
 Faulkner, F. P., forgery, Fresno, Cal.
 Ferris, Jack, forgery, San Francisco, Cal.
 Friese, Harold, worthless check, Bridgeport, Conn.
 Garnett, Chas. H., bogus certificate of deposit, Ada, Okla.
 Garrett, P. R., mortgage swindle, Duncan, Okla.
 Goble, V. R., forged notes, Concordia, Mo.
 Gore, Robert, forgery, Madison, W. Va.
 Green, Frank F., bogus drafts, Bowling Green, Ky.
 Green, Nils A., forgery, Boston, Mass.
 Gross, Harry, raised checks, Columbus, Ohio.
 Gunder, P. A., forgery, Waterloo, Iowa.
 Hammer, Clyde, forgery, Los Angeles, Cal.
 Haralson, E. L., bogus checks, Clovis, N. M.
 Heard, H. C., bogus checks, Bend, Ore.
 Henry, J. C., bogus checks, St. Paul, Minn.
 High, Dan, forgery, Tulsa, Okla.
 Hightower, A. E., forgery, Tulsa, Okla.
 Hinche, Iva Mae, forgery, Tulsa, Okla.
 Hinche, Marvin, forgery, Tulsa, Okla.
 Hix, J. S., bogus certificate of deposit, Ada, Okla.
 Horrigan, J. S., worthless check, Portland, Ore.

Howard, Felix, forgery, Houston, Tex.
 Hughes, C. K., worthless checks, Beckley, W. Va.
 Johnson, W. A., bogus check, Littleton, Colo.
 Jones, J. Greeley, bogus certificates of deposit, Ada, Okla.
 Keiser, Capt. J. C., worthless checks, New Orleans, La.
 Kelley, George, worthless check, Little Rock, Ark.
 Kerdell, Lillian, forgery, Jacksonville, Fla.
 Kerr, George, forgery, Harrison, Ark.
 Kirby, Clifford, worthless checks, Cincinnati, Ohio.
 Klein, George, forgery, St. Joseph, Mo.
 Knapp, Lena M., forgery, Adrian, Mich.
 Kocker, Emil, forgery, Jersey City, N. J.
 Krepps, A. C., forgery, Charleroi, Pa.
 Larson, E. D., forgery, Bountiful, Utah.
 Laub, Lyle T., bogus checks, Indianapolis, Ind.
 Leigh, W., forgery, Philadelphia, Pa.
 Lifer, F., forgery, Jackson, Miss.
 Locke, H. A., bogus certified check, Savannah, Ga.
 Love, R. L., mortgage swindle, Cement, Okla.
 Mack, J. W., bogus certificate of deposit, Hugo, Okla.
 Martin, Herbert, forgery, Franklin, Ia.
 Massey, W. B., forgery, Blytheville, Ark.
 Mathews, De Leon, forgery, Lake City, S. C.
 McBrier, J. F., forged indorsement, Beckley, W. Va.
 McCann, E. C., bogus checks, Atlanta, Ga.
 McCarthy, Elmore, forgery, Houston, Tex.
 McClair, Herbert L., forgery, Philadelphia, Pa.
 McClanahan, J. A., forged notes, Concordia, Mo.
 McDaniel, Percy, mortgage swindle, Wray, Colo.
 McMillon, T. A., mortgage swindle, Thorndale, Tex.
 Miller, B., bogus check, Huntington, W. Va.
 Miller, Peter J., worthless checks, Chicago, Ill.
 Minor, R. A., forgery, Jacksonville, Fla.
 Moore, L. C., forgery, Greeley, Colo.
 Moore, Lester, forgery, Birmingham, Ala.
 Moore, Sidney, forgery, Sebastopol, Cal.
 Morrissey, P. J., forgery, Healdsburg, Cal.
 Nix, Wyatt L., bogus certificate of deposit, Hugo, Okla.
 Noble, Ralph, forgery, Oklahoma City, Okla.
 O'Donnell, Joseph, worthless checks, San Francisco, Cal.
 O'Neil, J. T., forgery, Wallingford, Conn.
 Owens, Miles, worthless checks, Portland, Ore.
 Quinn, Robert, forgery, Clarksburg, W. Va.
 Pavlavitz, Ivan, forgery, Akron, Ohio.
 Persch, Donald, bogus checks, Los Angeles, Cal.
 Peterson, Lawrence, forgery, St. Louis, Mo.
 Peterson, N. J., worthless draft, Cut Bank, Mont.
 Pettit, Waittie, mortgage swindle, Chelsea, Okla.
 Rembert, Julius, forgery, Houston, Tex.
 Robinette, I. T., Mt. Hope, W. Va.
 Roll, D. M., forgery, Evansville, Ind.
 Rollison, C. A., raised check, Waycross, Ga.
 Roth, Homer F., bogus check, Goshen, Ind.
 Runnells, York, forgery, Houston, Tex.
 Saftred, Meta, forgery, Okmulgee, Okla.
 Salisbury, Geo. R., bogus checks, Birmingham, Ala.
 Sanden, Fred, forgery, Cut Bank, Mont.
 Sansom, Herbert B., worthless checks, Los Angeles, Cal.
 Scott, Walter A., forgery, Pasco, Wash.
 Sheldon, James E., mortgage swindle, Leesburg, Fla.
 Shipman, Horace M., bogus draft, Oklahoma City, Okla.
 Shoe, George B., forgery, Akron, Ohio.
 Simon, David, forgery, Cincinnati, Ohio.
 Smith, Frank, forgery, San Francisco, Cal.
 Smith, Leroy C., forgery, Highland Park, Ill.
 Smith, L. S., forgery, Topeka, Kan.
 Swartz, Harry, worthless draft, Okmulgee, Okla.
 Talia, Frank, forgery, Passaic, N. J.
 Tisor, Carl R., accomplice of swindler, Forsyth, Mont.
 Tope, J. Leroy, forgery, Joliet, Ill.
 Van Leuven, Bert, worthless check, Salina, Kan.
 Walger, Henry A., forgery, Wallis, Texas.
 Ward, Erret, forged drafts, Wichita Falls, Texas.
 Warner, Lon, mortgage swindle, Higgins, Tex.
 Waters, Bert, forgery, Olean, N. Y.
 Watkins, Jack, forgery, Houston, Tex.
 Weil, M. L., worthless draft, Elko, Nev.
 Williams, G. H., bogus checks, Lake Providence, La.
 Williams, Princes, swindle, New York City, N. Y.
 Willis, G. S., bogus check, Brooksville, Fla.
 Willman, John W., forged note, Duluth, Minn.
 Wisdom, G. C., bogus certificate of deposit, Cushing, Okla.
 Woods, Mingo, forgery, Houston, Tex.
 Yung, Ng, forgery, San Francisco, Cal.

BURGLARS AND HOLD-UP ROBBERS

Alderman, Hugo, hold-up, Homestead, Fla.
 Bear, A., suspected hold-up, Hugo, Okla.
 Bergens, J. W., robbery and murder, Point, Tex.
 Carden, Julius, hold-up, Heavener, Okla.
 Carden, Julius, hold-up, Glenwood, Ark.
 Carter, Charlie, alleged bank robber, Point, Tex.
 Clair, Henry, hold-up, Tuskahoma, Okla.
 Davis, Earl, hold-up, Granville, Ohio.
 Embry, Jack, hold-up, Glenwood, Ark.
 Fortner, Howard, contemplated robbery, Windsor, Ill.
 Hester, Wm., burglary, DeQueen, Ark.
 Lewis, Carl, hold-up, Huttig, Ark.
 Littrell, Jess, hold-up, Harrah, Okla.
 McKinney, Calvin, robbery, Crowder, Okla.
 Marvin, Harold, robbery, Oronogo, Mo.
 Mitchell, William, hold-up, Taylor, Mo.
 Quattlebaum, Arthur, robbery, El Paso, Ark.
 Quattlebaum, Sid, robbery, El Paso, Ark.
 Rankin, Iola, suspected hold-up, Hugo, Okla.
 Schultz, L. H., hold-up, Granville, Ohio.
 Smith, Frank, hold-up, Heavener, Okla.
 Stone, Jim, robbery, El Paso, Ark.
 Warnix, John, burglary, DeQueen, Ark.
 Warnix, Enoch, burglary, DeQueen, Ark.
 Winfield, C. P., suspected hold-up, Hugo, Okla.

STATISTICS OF THE PROTECTIVE DEPARTMENT

| | Awaiting trial August 31, 1917 | Arrested since August 31, 1917 | Arrests in January, 1917 | Total | Convicted | Discharged or acquitted | Fugitive, escaped, insane or died | Awaiting trial |
|----------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|-------|-----------|----------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------|
| Forgers..... | 108 | 139 | 27 | 166 | 81 | 40 | 9 | 144 |
| Burglars..... | 4 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 4 | | | 3 |
| Hold-up robbers..... | 24 | 10 | 2 | 12 | 9 | 5 | | 22 |
| Sneak thieves..... | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | |
| Total..... | 136 | 153 | 29 | 182 | 94 | 46 | 9 | 169 |

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 CALIFORNIA, SAN FRANCISCO.—First National Bank Building.
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 CONNECTICUT, BRIDGEPORT.—608 Security Building.
 ILLINOIS, CHICAGO.—Transportation Building.
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 MISSOURI, ST. LOUIS.—Railway Exchange Building.
 NEW YORK, BUFFALO.—White Building.
 NEW YORK, NEW YORK.—Woolworth Building.
 OHIO, CLEVELAND.—Sweetland Building.
 OKLAHOMA, OKLAHOMA CITY.—Colcord Building. Special
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 OREGON, PORTLAND.—Yeon Building.
 PENNSYLVANIA, PHILADELPHIA.—Widener Building.
 PENNSYLVANIA, PITTSBURGH.—Commonwealth Building.

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 WASHINGTON, SPOKANE.—Old National Bank Building.

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RULES OF THE PROTECTIVE COMMITTEE

1. Upon receipt of notification by the General Secretary, Five Nassau Street, New York City, or the nearest office or correspondent of the William J. Burns International Detective Agency, Inc., of an attempted or successful perpetration of fraud or crime upon a member of this Association in its banking rooms, or in the rooms of such branches as are members, either by forgery, check-raising, worthless or bogus checks, swindle, sneak theft, robbery, hold-up or burglary therein, the committee will at once use its best efforts to apprehend the criminal. No action, however, will be taken unless immediate notice is given, and **a case once committed to the Association cannot be taken out of its hands nor the offense condoned or compromised.** If for any reason whatsoever no prosecution takes place when the member is in a legal position to aid in the prosecution, and fails to do so, such member shall reimburse the Association for all expenses incurred in connection with the case reported.

2. In reporting cases the member agrees to swear out a warrant for the criminal concerned when his identity has been determined; or a John Doe warrant at once in states where permitted. The committee relentlessly pursues both amateur and professional criminals in cases of attempted or successful fraud or crime upon members of the Association, but cannot take cognizance of such offenses where perpetrated upon others than members, or of so-called "inside jobs" where the offender is an officer or employee of a member. The committee relies upon the state, county or local authorities to arrange for the extradition and the payment of expense incident to the return of a prisoner. The committee will not pay witness fees, and will not be responsible for any expense incurred for protective work which has not been previously authorized.

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FEBRUARY PROTECTIVE WORK

WARNING

BANK EMPLOYEE TURNS CROOK

Employee of an Arizona bank is presenting forged letters of credit

JOHN A. FRYE. Up until a few days ago Frye held a responsible position with a Prescott, Ariz., member. He is now wanted by the authorities of that city and New York for frauds perpetrated against his former employers and also three New York city banks, which he victimized by means of forged letters of credit and stolen drafts.

Frye has a very clever mode of operation, which is as follows: His duties at the Prescott bank gave him access to the files wherein he was able to learn in what banks his institution carried funds. His next step was to direct letters to officials of these depositories, which were in the form of letters of credit showing a credit of \$5,000. These letters bear the forged signature of the cashier of the Prescott member bank, and also the signature of the supposed customer. Then, as an aftermath, postscripts were added to the letters, stating the customer had wired the bank that he was leaving for New York, and requesting that their draft No. 56342 (or some other number between 56300 and 56399) on the Anglo and London Paris National Bank, San Francisco, Cal., be honored.

These letters were mailed in Prescott, Ariz., on February 15, and reached their destination, New York city, on the 19th. On the 21st, Frye called upon his victims, and in a very plausible manner announced that he was in the city in the interests of his father for the purpose of purchasing supplies for their Arizona ranch. He ended his story by asking if the bank had received the letter of credit from Prescott, and then presented his forged draft. As every



step of the operation was in order the New York city banks were easy victims of Frye.

It has been ascertained that this operator has in his possession one hundred drafts on the San Francisco depository of the Prescott State Bank, numbered from 56300 to 56399. When presented, these drafts will bear the forged signature of the cashier.

Frye is described as 23 years of age, 5 feet 10 inches, 150 pounds, dark complexion, black hair, sharp features, walks with a swinging gait, is quite voluble.

WARRANTS HAVE BEEN ISSUED. SHOULD JOHN A. FRYE CALL UPON YOU DETAIN HIM AND NOTIFY THE NEAREST OFFICE OF OUR DETECTIVE AGENTS.

WALLACE BEERING. This individual is passing checks in Des Moines, Iowa, drawn on the Iowa Loan and Trust Company, and bearing the forged signature of O. S. Hall, a depositor. A member bank has been defrauded and the Des Moines representative of our Detective Agents is making an investigation. The Iowa Bankers Association is co-operating with this Association in financing the investigation. The operator has also used the name of Walter Kale, and he is described as 28 to 30 years of age, 5 feet 9 or 10 inches, 155 pounds, of medium slender build; has a fair complexion, and brown hair; squints when he smiles.



DR. CONRAD C. BECKER

DR. BECKER STILL GOING STRONG

Victims of his bogus drafts are becoming more numerous

This individual is operating at the present time, and has been operating since September, 1917, with bogus drafts purporting to have been issued by the Churchill Drug Company, Lima, Ohio. Sometimes his drafts bear a forged certification stamp, and they always bear the forged indorsement of a prominent local citizen. He has been successful in defrauding many banks in the east out of considerable sums of money.

Dr. Becker has in some manner secured a list of stockholders in several defunct insurance companies, and he is communicating with those individuals offering to dispose of their worthless stock at a very reasonable price. The stockholders, believing they may recover some of their money, readily reply to Becker's letters, which he has signed "Geor. E. Hoffer." The operator is then in possession of the signature of a citizen of the town in which he intends to operate. He proceeds to that town, and presents his draft at a local bank. The teller honors the draft, though it is in a rather large amount, as he believes he is protected by the indorsement of a local citizen; as stated above, that indorsement is a forgery. In a short time the draft is returned as a forgery throughout, and the bank then makes a

Churchill Drug Company

No. 1231

Lima, Ohio, Aug. 8th 1917

Pay to the order of *Dr. Conrad C. Becker* \$ 200.00

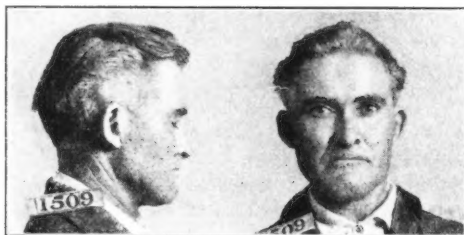
Two hundred 00/100 Dollars

TO FIRST NATIONAL BANK
LIMA, OHIO.

H. C. Sanders
Treasurer

Dr. Conrad C. Becker
H. C. Sanders

demand upon the local citizen, whereupon it is discovered that his indorsement is a forgery. We are reproducing one of Becker's checks, and also his photograph. He is described as 48 years of age, 5 feet 11 inches, 185 pounds; has dark complexion and dark hair; he usually wears glasses; walks very erect; has a German accent, but speaks English fluently.



J. W. CASTEEL

J. W. CASTEEL is badly wanted by the Dallas, Texas, authorities for defrauding a member bank at that point. This operator began operations in 1910. On September 23, 1917, he was arrested by the local authorities at Dallas, Texas, charged with forgery, swindling, and bond forfeiture. On November 1, 1917, he came up for trial. He walked out of Criminal Court No. 2, Dallas, Texas, and disappeared, jumping his bond. Therefore, he is now wanted as a fugitive from justice. J. W. Casteel, alias J. M. McAllister, is described as 38 years of age (looks 40), 5 feet 8 1/4 inches, 149 pounds; has slate blue eyes, and black hair with much gray. Bertillon measurements: 73.3 71.0 92.7 19.3 16.1 14.3 6.2 24.6 10.6 8.5 45.2.

E. L. CONNER. In May, 1916, E. L. Conner attempted to defraud a Spokane, Wash., member bank. We have no

record of this man from that date until December 24, 1917, when he secured funds from a Los Angeles, Cal., member bank, on a bogus check in a small amount, drawn on the National Bank of Arizona, Phoenix, Ariz. The operator was introduced at the bank by a customer, but the teller cashing the check failed to have the customer indorse it, and it has since been forgotten who the customer was. An investigation is being made by our Detective Agents, the cost of which will be prorated by the California Bankers Association. E. L. Conner is 35 years of age, 5 feet 8 inches, 170 to 180 pounds, of stocky build; has a dark complexion, and dark hair.

JOHN CORRIGAN was until recently employed as a foreman for the Port Blakely Milling Company, of Bremerton, Wash. While employed by that firm he stole six blank checks out of the check book, filled them in on the typewriter and protectograph, and forged the manager's name to them. Some of these checks were cashed by merchants, and when they were presented at the bank, were paid. A warrant for John Corrigan will be issued at Bremerton, and will be placed in the hands of the Sheriff at Port Orchard, Wash. The Washington Bankers Association is co-operating with this Association in financing the investigation. The operator is described as 35 years of age, 5 feet 9 inches, 160 pounds; dark complexion; dark eyes, black hair, and dark mustache.

HAZEL DAVIES. An unknown woman representing herself to be Hazel Davies, made a purchase at the McCormack Brothers Dry Goods Store, Seattle, Wash., on December 5, 1917, tendering a forged check on a Seattle member bank. The forgery was not discovered until the depositor's December statement was checked; and the bank stands to lose a small amount. A description of the operator follows: 40 years, 5 feet 8 inches, 150 pounds, dark hair. The Washington Bankers Association is prorating the cost of the investigation with this Association.

S. J. DEAN has caused a Hubbard, Ore., member bank to suffer a loss. On December 17, 1917, he presented at the bank a check in a small amount, purporting to have been signed by I. B. Stuart, a depositor, and he succeeded in securing the funds. The Oregon Bankers Association is prorating the costs of the investigation with this Association. S. J. Dean is described as 30 years of age, 5 feet 7 inches, 155 pounds, medium complexion, dark or reddish brown hair.

MRS. ETTA DODD, who has also used the names of Mrs. Ethel Lynn and Miss Etta Reynolds, is wanted by a member bank of Kansas City, Mo., and one of the large department stores in Omaha, Neb., for cashing bogus checks drawn on the First National Bank, of St. Mary's, Kan. She also passed a number of bogus checks in Topeka, Kan., drawn on the same bank. Her description is about 30 years of age, 5 feet 5 inches, weight 130 pounds; dark complexion, dark hair, and dark eyes.

Mrs. Etta Lynn

J. T. DOLLINS. An operator assuming the name J. T. Dollins, who is a depositor of a Clifton, Texas, member bank, forged that name to a draft in a small amount, and presented the same to a Floydada member bank. The latter bank wired the former asking if they would honor the draft, and received a reply that the Clifton bank would do so. The forgery of the signature on the draft was not discovered until Mr. Dollins' account was balanced the first of February.

CHAS. M. ELLIS has defrauded a Winston-Salem, N. C., member by inducing them to discount a note bearing the forged signature of a local citizen, and also the forged indorsement of another well-known Winston-Salem resident. Ellis represented himself to be an insurance agent. He is a "crack" pool and billiard player, and claimed to have played in championship games. It is believed that he went to Charlotte, N. C., from Winston-Salem. He is described as about 50 years of age, 5 feet 7 inches, 150 pounds; eyes red, has a dissipated look.

LOUIS KARL GRAY is now being sought by our Detective Agents on account of his having cashed what later turned out to be a forged cashier's check at a member bank in Dustin, Okla. Before cashing the check in question, which was ostensibly issued by a bank in Concord, Cal., Gray mentioned that he was expecting some money from an attorney in California and produced a seemingly genuine letter to substantiate his statement. Gray is said to be a first-class hand at job printing work, and is, therefore, capable of getting up the cashier's check blank and letterheads which he used in this transaction. Sheriff Sam Turner, Holdenville, Okla., holds a warrant for Gray's arrest. Louis Karl Gray is described as 41 years of age, 5 feet 8 inches, 190 pounds, medium complexion, light brown hair mixed with gray; he has a shot wound in the right side of his face.

L. K. Gray

BERT HART recently succeeded in defrauding a Minneapolis, Minn., member bank, he having forged a depositor's name to two withdrawal orders and secured the funds. Our detective representatives are now investigating this matter. Hart has left Minneapolis, and his present whereabouts are unknown. He is 24 years of age, 5 feet 9½ inches; dark complexion, and dark hair.

J. W. HENKEL had an account with an El Paso, Texas, member bank. In some way he came into possession of a

cashier's check, made payable to J. B. Henkel. He forged that name as an indorsement, and deposited the same at the bank where he had an account. Shortly thereafter he withdrew the funds, so the bank stands to lose the amount. Our El Paso representative will make an investigation.

J. B. Henkel
J. B. Henkel

P. E. JACQUET has for the past two months been cashing checks drawn on an El Paso, Texas, member bank. One of the checks, which bore the forged signature of a depositor, A. Courchesne, was cashed by the bank, who suffers a small loss. For months prior to September, 1917, Jacquet was employed by Courchesne as a timekeeper. During September Jacquet was called for service and departed for Camp Travis, San Antonio, Texas. Our El Paso representative is working on this case.

B. F. JONES defrauded a member bank at Clarksville, Tenn., on January 30, 1918, by means of a forged check drawn on the City Bank & Trust Company, of Hopkinsville, Ky., to which he is alleged to have forged the indorsement of a Clarksville resident. The operator is 30 years of age, 5 feet 10 or 11 inches, 160 to 165 pounds; dark complexion; and moderately dressed.

VERNON JOYCE has victimized a Memphis, Tenn., member by means of a forged check ostensibly issued by the Memphis Rental Agency, of Memphis, Tenn. The forgery was not discovered until the depositor's account was balanced. Our detective agents are making an investigation. No description of the operator is available at this time.

ASA KNIGHT, alias Willie Colvin, alias Willie Smith (negro), is wanted by our detective agents for having defrauded a member bank in Kansas City, Mo., by means of two forged checks in small amounts. Knight is 35 years, 5 feet 7 or 8 inches, 150 pounds, very dark complexion, black hair, kinky, small stubby mustache.

F. G. MASON appeared in Sealy, Texas, the latter part of last November, representing himself to be a salesman for the Southern Motor Manufacturers Association, Ltd.; he became friendly with the local constable and postmaster. He requested the postmaster to introduce him at the bank, which he did. Mason then drew a draft in a small amount on the Southern Motor Manufacturers Association, Ltd., 1207 Busch Building, Dallas, Texas, and received the funds. The draft was returned by the above-named firm with the statement that it was not authorized by them, consequently the bank has suffered a loss. Our detective agents at Houston are endeavoring to locate the operator, a warrant for his arrest having been issued. F. G. Mason is described as 55 years of age, 6 feet 1 inch, 190 pounds; blue eyes, and slightly gray hair.

M. C. MOLL, alias D. P. Kampf. This man will open a savings account by making a very small deposit of cash. Shortly afterwards he will present a forged cashier's check, and have the same credited to his account; then the following day he will withdraw almost the total amount standing to his credit, causing the bank to suffer a loss. Moll, alias

Kampf, has operated against banks in Wisconsin, and he will probably change his field soon. Banks in Wisconsin and the bordering states should be on their guard. Following is a description of the operator; 35 years, 5 feet 10 inches, 145 pounds, dark complexion, dark hair, small mustache.

M. E. Moll

B. E. MULVERHILL, representing himself as a farmer from Armstrong, Iowa, defrauded two member banks in Kansas City, Mo., recently by means of bogus checks for small amounts, drawn on the First National Bank, of Armstrong, Iowa. Mulverhill has in his possession a pass book of the Armstrong member, which he displays in furthering his operations. Description of the operator—about 40 years of age, 5 feet 10 inches, 180 pounds; of medium stocky build; very florid complexion, rather broad face, and all the appearances of a well-to-do farmer.

B. E. Mulverhill

G. V. NEWITT. A young woman giving her name as Miss G. V. Newitt, opened an account with a member bank in Kansas City, Mo., on February 6, 1918, by depositing a check drawn on the St. Louis Union Bank, St. Louis, Mo., along with a small amount of cash; this with the understanding that she would not draw against the account until a return had been received on the check. However, she returned to the bank after a short while and succeeded in cashing a check for almost the total amount to her credit. The St. Louis bank returned the check for the reason that they had no account in the name "W. H. Kendrick," which appeared on the check as a signature. The operator is described as 26 to 30 years of age, about 5 feet 7 inches, about 120 pounds, slender build; fair complexion.

A. PACHECKEL, a soldier stationed at Fort Bliss, Texas, made out a check in a small amount, payable to "Cash," and forged the signature of Frank Ywanaskas, a comrade in arms. Pacheckel succeeded in having the check cashed at an El Paso member bank, where Ywanaskas had his account. The operator is described as 25 years of age, 6 feet 1 inch, 180 pounds, ruddy complexion, blue eyes, medium light hair.

ROBERT SONBERG. This young man was employed by a firm in San Francisco, Cal., and on February 1, 1918, he was given a check properly indorsed, and bearing the notation "for deposit only." He was instructed to deposit the check at the San Francisco bank at which his firm had its account; instead he went to another San Francisco member bank, and succeeded in securing cash for the check as the teller did not notice the notation mentioned above. Our detective agents at San Francisco and Seattle are working on the case, and the California Bankers Association is prorating the cost of an investigation with this Association. Robert Sonberg is described as 18 years of age, 5 feet 4 inches, 125 pounds, dark complexion, dark hair, combed straight back, dark brown eyes.

R. J. STANTON victimized a White Sulphur Springs, Mont., member by means of a check bearing the alleged

forged signature of a depositor. The bank received the check through the clearings, and paid on it, and the forgery was not discovered until the depositor returned the check with an affidavit stating that it did not bear his signature.

SAM STONE. A Charleroi, Pa., member bank has suffered a loss on a number of bogus checks in small amounts which were issued by a man named Sam Stone. This man opened an account at the member bank with several bogus checks, and some of his checks were honored before the bogus checks were returned. Our detective agents are making an investigation. Sam Stone is 25 to 30 years of age, 5 feet, 120 pounds; fair complexion, dark hair, and dark eyes.

Sam Stone

JOHN THOMAS has secured possession of several checks intended for traveling salesmen. Early in December Thomas opened an account at a Tulsa, Okla., member bank by making a small cash deposit. Shortly afterwards he drew out a large part of the money, and deposited two checks. The following day he withdrew all his funds leaving only a few cents balance, and after that he got the bank to cash another check in a small amount. Later it developed that the three checks presented by the operator bore forged indorsements of the payees, therefore, the bank has lost on the transactions. The investigation made by our detective agents developed the fact that the salesmen for whom the checks in question were intended, never received them. At the present time the whereabouts of the operator are unknown, but the case is being kept an active one. John Thomas's description is 33 years of age, 5 feet 6 inches, 135 pounds, dark complexion, black hair.

TONEY TUCKER has succeeded in defrauding a Palmer, Iowa, member by means of checks to which he had forged the signatures of depositors. This operator worked as a farm hand for various farmers, and when he received a check in payment of services rendered he would make out another check in a larger amount and forge his former employer's name to the same. Our detective representatives at Minneapolis are making an investigation of this matter. Tucker is described as 28 years, 5 feet 4 to 5 inches, 155 to 160 pounds; black curly hair combed back, brown eyes and dark complexion.

H. D. TURNER was employed for a short time by the Federal Underwriters Company, South Bend, Ind. After he left the employ of that company he obtained a check made payable to their order. He took the same and deposited it in a Los Angeles, Cal., member bank, and was shortly afterwards able to secure the funds. As Turner did not have the authority to indorse the check in question, the bank is a loser. Turner has been described to our detective agents, who are making an investigation, as 28 to 30 years of age, 5 feet 11 inches, 160 pounds; has dark eyes. The investigation is being prorated with the California Bankers Association.

E. W. WALTHER. A Cleveland member bank has suffered a loss through paying on two checks payable to E. W. Walther and bearing the forged signature of the treasurer of the American Shipbuilding Company, a depositor. The operator apparently had the checks printed, and he filled in those he cashed with a typewriter.

NEGOTIABLE REFINING CERTIFICATES LOST

We have been requested by Messrs. L. Vogelstein & Co., Inc., 42 Broadway, New York, N. Y., to advise our members of the loss of the following refining certificates (storage receipts), issued by the United States Metals Refining Company, and indorsed in blank:

No. 8404—128,000 pounds copper
 No. 8324—123,000 " "
 No. 8405—128,000 " "
 No. 8407—128,000 " "
 No. 4231—30,000 ounces silver
 No. 4232—30,000 " "
 No. 4233—30,000 " "
 No. 4011—500 ounces gold
 No. 4012—500 " "
 No. 4013—500 " "

Arkansas Zinc & Smelting Corporation:

No. 44—200,000 pounds spelter
 No. 45—200,000 " "
 No. 46—200,000 " "

Also the following bills of lading:

Car T. & B. V. 1105—60,000 pounds spelter
 Car S. A & A P. 3085—60,000 pounds spelter

Weight certificates attached to both bills of lading.

Messrs. L. Vogelstein & Co., Inc., will appreciate immediate notice of any attempt to negotiate these documents.

GENERAL

PACIFIC POULTRY FARMS COMPANY

Fritz Heilbrown, Herbert Schlager and E. D. Schaller, who were the proprietors, are now being sought

These young men conducted a large poultry business in Los Angeles, Cal., under the name of the Pacific Poultry Farms Company. They were subject to draft, but did not want to go to war, so they decided to clean up and then disappear. They filled several barrels with sawdust and placed a few turkeys or chickens on top to make it appear as if the barrels were filled with poultry. These barrels were placed in a storage warehouse, and the Pacific Poultry Farms Company then obtained loans on them to the amount of several thousand dollars. They obtained most of the borrowed money from the storage company, but a Los Angeles member bank was also victimized. Warrants are in existence for the arrest of the above named operators; and our detective representatives are making a general investigation. Following are descriptions of the three members of the Pacific Poultry Farms Company: Fritz Heilbrown—33 years of age, 5 feet 9 inches, 150 pounds; brown eyes, dark complexion, and dark hair. Herbert Schlager—21 years of age, 5 feet, 135 pounds; brown eyes, dark complexion, and dark hair. E. D. Schaller, alias Edgar Schlager—26 years of age, 5 feet 2 inches, 150 pounds; brown eyes, dark complexion, and dark hair.

A. W. ANDREWS is passing bogus checks in Philadelphia, drawn on monogrammed checks of the Ridge Avenue Bank, that city. Thus far only merchants have been de-

frauded. Andrews is described as 45 to 50 years of age, 5 feet 10 inches, 150 pounds; gray hair, and is fairly well dressed.

J. M. BRILL, alias Samuel J. Young, is defrauding hotel proprietors in New Jersey, by means of bogus checks drawn on Alton National Bank, Cincinnati, Ohio, purporting to have been issued by the H. Wessel Mfg. Co., Cincinnati, Ohio. A description of the operator is as follows: about 30 years, 5 feet 8 inches, 135 to 140 pounds; medium complexion; fairly well dressed, and clean cut in appearance.

IRENE BROWN, alias Miss I. Foster, alias Mrs. J. Elemendroge, is defrauding merchants and individuals in New York city by means of bogus checks drawn on the New York Trust Company, New York, N. Y. It is believed that a man is the penman and the young woman simply utters the bogus checks. Irene Brown is described as 22 years of age (looks younger), 5 feet 4 inches, 100 pounds; dark complexion, black hair, and extremely thin nostrils.

MORRIS BROWN worked for one Everett McDill during the last harvest time, and felt that McDill did not pay him as much as he had earned; therefore, he forged McDill's name to a check in a small amount. The Sparta, Ill., bank on which the check was drawn, received it through the clearings, and paid it. A representative of our detective agents at St. Louis proceeded to Sparta, Ill., to make an investigation, and when the identity of the operator had been established, the bank decided they would not prosecute in view of certain circumstances. Restitution has been made.

EDWARD DUCZOKOWSKIE. The Sinkula Store, Armstrong Creek, Wis., was robbed during the early part of February, and among the things taken were several blank checks. Duczokowskie attempted to cash one of the checks at a Menominee, Mich., member bank, but was unsuccessful.

GEORGE EMERSON. We have been advised that George Emerson and one or two accomplices, are passing bogus checks in the state of Washington, drawn on the Arlington State Bank, of Arlington, Wash. The operators appear to be back-woodsmen, who are just starting to pass bogus checks. It would be well for banks in the state of Washington to watch for these men. No descriptions are available at this writing.

Geo. Emerson

S. R. FARMER has defrauded a lumber company of Houston, Texas, by means of a forged check purporting to have been issued by the Southern Brass Manufacturing Company, drawn on the Houston National Exchange Bank. The operator is described as 55 years 5 feet 8 inches, 160 pounds, gray hair.

JOHN M. G. FILLER. This man was earning a salary insufficient to support his family and was in great need of money. On November 5, 1917, when his employer dictated a letter to him enclosing a check in a considerable amount, the temptation was too much for Filler, and he destroyed the letter, forged the indorsement of the payee to the check, and deposited it in a Cleveland member bank. He was allowed to draw against the check, and the funds thus secured, he used to pay the many bills he owed. On December 12, 1917, an investigator of the Cleveland office of our detective agents took the operator into custody. When the circumstances surrounding the crime were brought to light the victimized bank refused to prosecute, and Filler was released, full restitution having been made to all parties interested.

LEON FINLEY, who was wanted by the officials of a Stuttgart, Ark., member in connection with a mortgage swindle, and was located at Chicago, Ill. Finley was arrested following an interview with a representative of our local detective agents who called in the police when it was determined that he was wanted for a real estate transaction upon which a loan of money was made. He was returned to Stuttgart for trial. This operator has also been issuing worthless checks drawn on the Salem State Bank, Salem, Ill. We are just in receipt of information that Finley was successful in escaping from custody and is now a fugitive from justice.



EMMA JANE FROCK

EMMA JANE FROCK is operating in states along the Atlantic coast with checks drawn on the Girard Trust Company, Philadelphia, Pa., to which she has forged the signature of her former employer, Miriam Negargee Brown.

Emma Jane Frock

E. E. GARRETT has defrauded a citizen of Loco, Okla., by means of a check to which he has forged the name of a depositor of the State Bank of Loco. His description is: about 25 years of age, 5 feet 9½ inches; light complexion, blue eyes, and light hair.

C. B. GRAVES, alias F. M. Parker, was arrested by our detective agents in Kansas City, Mo., on January 30, 1918, on information furnished by the Iowa Bankers Association, to the effect that Graves had defrauded one of their members at Ottumwa, Iowa, by means of a bogus check in a small amount. The operator has since been returned to Ottumwa, Iowa, for trial. The investigation of this case was financed by the Iowa Bankers Association. Graves is about 38 years of age, 5 feet 9 inches, 155 pounds; medium dark complexion, hazel eyes, dark brown hair, bald spot on top at rear; speaks with a marked southern accent.

J. C. GRAY is wanted by a non-member bank at Sterling, Okla., for obtaining money under false pretenses. Gray is said to operate throughout the rural districts by giving checks on some bank at a distant point, then on the pretense of buying out a renter, he also gives a check on a local bank for money to buy feed and other necessities. His description is 38 years, 6 feet 1 inch, 170 pounds, dark complexion, dark eyes, dark hair; very prominent front teeth.

A. G. GRAHAM defrauded a member of the Washington Bankers Association, at Centralia, Wash., by means of bogus

checks. He also defrauded a number of merchants and hotels in Seattle, and is wanted in Portland for passing worthless checks. Our Detective Agents at Seattle are searching for this criminal in behalf of the Washington Bankers Association, and hope to locate him through a chauffeur who has been driving Graham with a woman companion, to different places. Graham is described as 29 years of age, 5 feet 6 inches, 150 pounds; dark complexion, dark blue eyes, and dark hair.

A. G. Graham

J. A. HOGGORD has victimized several individuals in the southwest by getting them to cash bogus checks drawn on the Bank of Arizona, Clarksdale, Ariz., and the Citizens Bank, Flagstaff, Ariz. A warrant for the arrest of the operator is held by the Sheriff of Coconino County, Flagstaff, Ariz. Hoggord is described as 20 years of age, 5 feet 7 or 8 inches, 135 to 140 pounds; light, rather reddish complexion, light brown hair, and either blue or gray eyes.

J a Hoggord

J. E. JACKSON has defrauded an individual of Broken Arrow, Okla., by means of a worthless draft, which was accepted in payment for horses and mules.

C. L. JAMES, alias C. L. JONES, alias R. L. NEWBURN, etc. In December, 1914, this young man was employed by the Western Union Telegraph Company as an operator, and while he was working at Sonorita, N. Mex., he saw a chance to "clean up" a little money. He sent a telegram to an El Paso, Texas, member bank requesting them to pay C. L. Jones a small sum of money, and signing the telegram with the name of a depositor living in Sonorita. Later he called at the bank, identified himself as C. L. Jones, and received the money, which he claimed his brother-in-law had sent him so he could pay for a course at the Mining School, at Golden, Colo. The telegraph company made an investigation and ascertained the identity of the operator, but by that time Jones had disappeared. During January, 1915, the operator was arrested at some point in Florida for a similar offence, and given a sentence of two years. The telegraph company reimbursed the bank shortly after the crime was committed. Our El Paso representative is giving this matter attention.

JOSEPH F. KIRKWOOD has defrauded an individual in New Orleans, La., by means of a worthless check drawn on the Citizens National Bank, of Meridian, Miss.

L. LEE, alias L. Heide, was on February 9, 1918, arrested at Des Moines, Ia., after he had placed an order for 20,000 blank checks for a mythical Newton, Iowa, firm, on the Jasper County Savings Bank, Newton, Iowa, and made out one of the proof checks in a small amount and given it to the printers. An investigation was made and it was ascertained that the Globe Machinery Company was non-existent. On February 11, Lee was released by the Des Moines, Iowa, authorities as they had nothing on which they could

hold him longer. He is 30 years of age, 5 feet 9½ inches, 155 pounds; medium dark complexion, gray, eyes and brown hair.

L. F. LEE is journeying through the Pacific coast and middle western states passing bogus checks purporting to have been issued by the Crawford Furniture Company, of Middletown, N. Y. on the Merchants National Bank, Middletown, N. Y. The Crawford Furniture Company declares that the signature on the check is a forgery; and, further, that firm has no account at the Merchants National Bank. Thus far the operator has been quite successful, having passed five or six checks a day, and banks in the states referred to above would do well to watch out for him. We have only a very meager description of L. F. Lee, which is as follows, 58 to 60 years of age, and 5 feet 5 inches tall.

JOHN M. LEWIS, representing himself as a horse buyer, recently defrauded a customer of a member bank at Holton, Kan., out of a small amount by means of a bogus check. The check, which bore the signature, "National Live Stock Company, by W. W. Adkin," was drawn against the National Bank of Commerce, St. Louis, Mo., and that bank returned it with the statement that they had no such account and the firm was not known. Lewis is described as about 35 years of age, 5 feet 8 inches, of medium height, and light complexion.

J. J. MEEHAN. We published an article relative to this operator in the January, 1918, JOURNAL Supplement, and since the writing of that article Meehan has been sentenced to serve from one to fourteen years at the San Quentin Penitentiary.

L. J. MORRIS is at the present time engaged in passing bogus checks on merchants in Kansas City, Mo. The checks are drawn on the Southwest National Bank of Commerce, that city, and one of them, which was brought to the attention of our Kansas City detective agents, bears the signature, "L. C. Witcomb;" no such an account is carried at the bank named. The operator presents a chauffeur's license as an identification. L. J. Morris is 25 to 27 years of age, 5 feet 8 or 9 inches, 145 pounds, light complexion, and light hair.

W. M. MURPHY, alias W. T. Wolverton, is said to have defrauded a hardware company in Oklahoma City, Okla., by means of a bogus draft, drawn against the First National Bank, Sterling, Okla., a non-existent institution. Murphy is 60 years of age, 5 feet 11 inches, 160 pounds; has gray eyes, sandy hair mixed with gray, and a long curly mustache.

N. PERLMAN has succeeded in obtaining funds on a bogus check in a small amount from a New York city member bank. Three checks in all were presented; when the operator endeavored to cash the third one he was detained, and a representative of our local detective agents, after a lengthy questioning, was able to secure a confession. Due to the operator's youth it was decided not to prosecute, and arrangements for restitution were made.

R. L. RAMBIN, of Garrison, Texas, who succeeded in defrauding a non-member bank at Noble, La., last summer, out of a large sum of money by means of a worthless check, was arrested by our detective agents in Somerton, Ariz. The check in question covered the purchase price of eighty-five head of cattle, which the operator disposed of at Humble, Texas, then made his get-away. Rambin has been a cattle man all his life. He is being returned to Center, Texas, to stand trial on the charge preferred against him.

M. B. ROBERTS, alias L. M. Cross, etc., is operating at the present time with voucher checks ostensibly issued by the Timken-Detroit Axle Company, against either the First National Bank, of Detroit, or the Detroit Trust Company, of Detroit. The form of check is one entirely different from any ever used by the Timken-Detroit Axle Company, and that company has no account in either of the banks mentioned above; in fact, the First National Bank, of Detroit, Mich., is a non-existent institution. Thus far Roberts has not victimized a bank. We are reproducing a specimen of his handwriting.



J. W. SANDERS has defrauded several individuals in Hallettsville, Texas, by means of worthless checks, which he cashed at a member bank after having secured indorsements of local parties. He stayed in the locality of Hallettsville for some time and made many acquaintances, whom he later requested to indorse his checks. The operator is about 40 years of age, has the appearance of a laborer, and claims to be a carpenter by occupation.

E. E. WEST, alias H. D. Wirtman, alias Ralph Patterson, alias J. H. Kadderly, alias L. C. Woodson, alias C. D. Miller, is wanted by the police department in Kansas City, Mo., for having given a citizen in that city a bogus cashier's check in a considerable amount in payment for an automobile. Description: 35 years, 5 feet 10 inches, 175 pounds; of medium stocky build, and medium complexion; has slate gray eyes, and brown hair; wears nose glasses.

LOST WAREHOUSE RECEIPTS

We have been advised by a Fall River, Mass., member bank that on November 6, 1917, MacKenzie & Winslow, Inc., issued warehouse receipts to the order of Palmer & Dassance for the following marked bales of cotton:

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| 14 bales marked | R A B E, | numbered 2487 |
| 17 bales marked | R I K R, | numbered 2488 |
| 18 bales marked | R E I O, | numbered 2489 |

and on November 16, 1917, for

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| 9 bales marked | R A B E, | numbered 2504 |
| 42 bales marked | R O U T, | numbered 2505 |

These receipts were indorsed by Palmer & Dassance and then lost. Should any member receive any information relative to the same, they should immediately communicate with this department.

LOST INTERIM RECEIPTS

A member bank of Boston, Mass., has reported to us that on November 22, 1917, they registered and insured at the local post-office a package addressed to the First National Bank, San Francisco, Cal. The package, which contained 65 \$1,000 interim receipts—series V—numbered 5323 to 5387, inclusive, dated May 1, 1917, and due May 1, 1937, on the paper of the Federal Land Bank, of Spokane, Wash., has either been lost or stolen.

Any information relative to these interim receipts should be promptly reported to either this department or the Burns Agency.

ARRESTED

EX-EMPLOYEE FORGER ARRESTED

"I only wish I had spent it all before you got me,"
said Robert Hansen.

ROBERT HANSEN was until December 26, 1917, employed as an accountant by the South American and Pacific Company, San Francisco, Cal. While in the employ of that firm, he became acquainted with "high life," and his salary was not large enough to enable him to hold up his end in the way of entertainments. He handled several thousand dollars a day for his firm, and according to his own statement, "he decided to show them that he could spend money as well as they could." Just before Christmas the firm issued a check payable to a local party in a large amount. This individual later refused to carry out his end of the deal, so the check remained in Hansen's possession for several days. The day after Christmas he forged the indorsement on the back of the check in question and cashed it. As those at the bank knew Hansen, and knew his firm's financial dealings with the bank, they had no hesitancy in cashing the check. This forgery was reported to our San Francisco detective agents on January 9, 1918, and immediately an investigation was put under way. On the night of December 26, Hansen had disappeared from San Francisco, and from circumstances and statements of Hansen, it was thought he would probably try to go back to Norway, where he was born. Investigations were made at all the principal seaports of the United States, but no trace of Hansen could be found. In fact, it appeared as if Robert Hansen had fallen from the earth. Later it was ascertained that he had lived in Oakland, Cal., during the time the seaports of the United States were being scoured for him. After living in Oakland for about a month, he came to the conclusion that if he could stay in Oakland for thirty days, so close to San Francisco, he could take a trip to New Orleans; that was the decision which led to his apprehension. A lead was opened up in Houston, Texas, by our detective agents in that city. A Burns man saw a person standing on the observation car of Southern Pacific train No. 10, on January 29, 1918, in Houston, Texas, whom he thought he recognized as the operator in this case. He boarded the train, which was due in New Orleans at 6:45 P. M., and while en route he satisfied himself that the man he suspected was Robert Hansen. As it was necessary for the Houston investigator to leave the train at Lake Charles, he arranged with an informant on the train to keep an eye on Hansen, and telegraphed the facts to our New Orleans detective agents. A New Orleans investigator and two city detectives were on hand when the train pulled in at the Union Station, New Orleans, and Robert Hansen was placed under arrest. He admitted his identity, made a complete confession, and stated he would return to San Francisco without extradition papers. About the first thing he said on being arrested was, "I only wish I had spent it all before you got me." Approximately half of the money he secured was found on his person, and when the money was counted by the officers who arrested

him, he broke into a laugh and exclaimed, "Can you beat it? I've spent just half of what I got." Since then the operator has been returned to San Francisco. He will come up for trial on February 21, 1918. Robert Hansen is described as 28 years of age, 5 feet 7 inches, 140 pounds, light complexion, light hair.

WILLIAM BAZINET, alias Alfred Hardis. Early in November, 1917, a Lewiston, Maine, member bank reported to our Boston detective agents that they had suffered a loss on account of having paid on a check bearing the forged signature of a depositor. An investigation was made at Lewiston, Maine, which practically established the identity of the operator as William Bazinet. However, at that time the bank teller was unable to state positively that Bazinet was the man who had cashed the check. On or about December 23, 1917, Bazinet acknowledged to the bank official that he had forged the check in question, and he was placed under arrest. He has since been released under bond until the February session of the Superior Court. William Bazinet is described as 20 years of age, 5 feet 8 inches, 135 pounds; has a dark complexion, and dark hair; is apparently of French-Canadian nationality.



WARD B. BEASLEY

WARD B. BEASLEY. In 1915 this young man operated throughout the state of California with bogus checks. Beasley represented himself as a naval officer, and the checks he used were supposed to have been signed by other officers. On October 22, 1915, his arrest was caused by the Oakland, Cal., police, and he was later tried and sentenced to serve three years at the San Quentin Penitentiary. On August 31, 1917, Beasley was paroled. He was given a position in a tailoring establishment in Chicago where he worked for a short time. While employed there he committed several petty thefts, and the latter part of last year he disappeared, taking with him several checks from the back of the firm check-book. These checks, which were drawn on a Chicago member bank, have been coming in from different parts of the country. Through an oversight the Chicago bank paid on one of the checks, and consequently suffered a loss. Our detective agents made an investigation and Beasley was traced to Chandler, Ariz., where he was arrested by a representative of the Los Angeles office of our detective agents and the local police. The Chicago bank has refused to advance funds for the extradition of the operator; therefore, Beasley will be returned to San Quentin to complete his sentence. Following is his description: 20 years of age (looks 25), 5 feet 10 inches, 173 pounds; has a fair complexion, blue eyes, and red hair.



JOHN J. BURTON, JR.

JOHN J. BURTON, Jr., was on February 14, 1918, arrested by our San Francisco detective agents and the local police. The identity of the operator was ascertained by our New York detective agents, and they, acting on information received from our Chicago detective agents, wired San Francisco to make an investigation, and arrest one Joseph J. Blaicher (the operator's true name). Upon receipt of the telegram from New York a San Francisco investigator was detailed upon the case, and he located Blaicher in the Quartermaster's Department, at the Presidio, San Francisco. Blaicher admitted posing as John J. Burton, Jr., and forging the check which he cashed at Prescott, Ariz. He also stated that he had defrauded a New York city member bank out of a considerable sum of money by means of a check which he had stolen, and to which he had forged the signature of the treasurer of a well-known New York piano firm. While Blaicher had money he was a "good fellow;" he claimed to have spent every cent of the money obtained on his check transactions. Following his confession the operator was placed in the guard house under military guards, awaiting the arrival of a certified copy of the warrant. Joseph J. Blaicher will be returned to Prescott, Ariz., for trial.

J. W. CASTEEL was arrested on September 23, 1917, at Dallas, Texas, by the local authorities, charged with forgery, swindling, and bond forfeiture. During last September Casteel opened an account at a Dallas, Texas, member bank by depositing a bogus draft in a large amount. Immediately he began issuing small checks against his account. As soon as the interested bank ascertained that the draft was bogus they notified the local detective department, and the arrest of Casteel was effected.

ROSCOE E. CLOUGH, alias John Avery, entered a Denver, Col., member bank on January 28, 1918, presented a check in a rather large amount, and received the funds. Later it developed that the check bore the forged signature of a depositor and the forged indorsement of another man well known to the bank officials. Roscoe E. Clough, a nephew of the man whose name was forged, was suspected at once. A few days later our detective agents were informed that he was under arrest at Louisville, Ky. The Denver member will have a warrant issued, and endeavors will be made to have Clough returned to Denver for prosecution. Roscoe E. Clough is described as 20 years of age, 5 feet 7 inches, 140 pounds; has a ruddy complexion, blue eyes, and dark brown hair.

BELLE COLLUM, alias Lena Stigler, victimized a Yazoo City, Miss., member by two checks in small amounts bearing the forged signature of a depositor. The need of money with which to buy clothes made the temptation to forge these checks too great. On February 13, a representative of our New

Orleans detective agents located Belle Collum at Shelby, Miss., and effected her arrest. Later she made a complete confession and is now being held at Yazoo City, Miss., awaiting trial.

A. L. DAWSON. By forging the signatures of officials of the Mississippi Lumber Company, New Orleans, to several checks, Dawson was successful in victimizing a member bank of Laurel, Miss., who paid these checks when they were received through the clearings. Representatives of our New Orleans detective agents after a two days' search located Dawson and effected his arrest, aided by the local police. Dawson confessed to a series of forgeries and blamed his downfall to drinking. He will be returned to Laurel for trial.

E. L. DIX, alias G. W. Moran, alias C. A. Randolph, alias A. W. Williams, alias H. W. Nelson, alias L. E. Rees, et al, who has been operating with forged letters of credit purporting to have been issued by banks in Walla Walla, Wash., and Danville, Ill., was arrested by the police department in Omaha, Neb., on January 18, 1918, after he had tried to have some letterheads of a member bank in Kansas City, Mo., printed. The printer became suspicious, and called on the police department with the result that this operator was followed to his room and later identified. He has since been returned to San Antonio, Texas, where he is charged with a similar offense. The Iowa Bankers Association co-operated with this Association in financing an investigation of this matter.

L. E. DU BOIS, alias W. R. Harris, alias B. E. White. On December 19, 1917, our detective agents at Kansas City, Mo., were advised by a local member bank regarding the operations of a man using the name of W. R. Harris, who had defrauded the member bank as well as a number of individuals with checks signed in the name of a grain company in Kansas City. On December 21, a representative of our detective agents located the man guilty of these transactions, L. E. Du Bois, on the outskirts of Kansas City, Kan., and caused his arrest. He has been returned to Kansas City, Mo., where he is now awaiting trial. He is described as 35 years, 5 feet 10 inches, 180 pounds, light complexion, light brown hair, partly bald.

H. B. EDGINGTON, relative to whom an article was published in the January JOURNAL Supplement, was located in Memphis, Ind., on January 19, 1918, by a representative of our St. Louis detective agents, his arrest following. He admitted having passed the check in question, and will waive extradition to Humboldt, Iowa.

HOMER PALMORE FORD, who defrauded two Portland, Ore., member banks on checks raised to considerable amounts and relative to whom an article was published in the March, 1917, JOURNAL Supplement, was, on January 6, 1918, arrested at Socorro, N. Mex., by the Sheriff there. He was held pending the arrival of extradition papers from Portland.

FRED FUNK, the ex-convict who tried the "comeback stunt" and failed, has again been arrested. An article relative to this man's operations was published in the January JOURNAL Supplement. On January 25, the Philadelphia police arrested one Edward Mitchell for robbery and carrying concealed weapons. Considering certain circumstances our New York detective agents came to the conclusion that Mitchell was none other than Funk, so they wired their Philadelphia office to make an investigation, which established the fact that Mitchell was Funk. Funk, alias Mitchell, was given a hearing on January 31, and held under \$3,000 bail.

WM. M. GIFFARD acted as an accomplice of C. A. Harrel, in the operation against a member bank at Fort Frances, Ontario, Canada. Giffard was the man who entered the bank and obtained the funds. Giffard and Harrel were traced to Minneapolis, where they were located in a hotel, and arrested by our Minneapolis detective agents and the local police. Giffard has been returned to Fort Frances, Ontario, Canada, for trial.

W. H. GOODE, who defrauded an Edmond, Okla., member by disposing of mortgaged property was on February 7, 1918, arrested by our Oklahoma City representative. On February 6, information was received to the effect that W. H. Goode was at Wichita, Okla. An investigation was immediately made, and the arrest of Goode was brought about. The operator, according to latest reports at this writing, is now in jail at Guthrie, awaiting trial.

M. H. GRIFFIN, alias George C. Clemmons, alias A. C. Johnston, alias H. H. Hollingsworth, who has defrauded a number of banks in and near Kansas City, Mo., during the past two months, was located at a hotel in Kansas City, and arrested by our detective agents on February 2, 1918. He has been turned over to the local police department and is now awaiting trial. Griffin has used checks purporting to have been issued by the American Writing Machine Company, the National Supply Company, and the Central Engraving Works. Following his arrest it was learned that he had defrauded a member at Lee's Summit, Mo., by means of one of these checks. He is described as 26 years of age, 5 feet 9 inches, 135 pounds, light complexion, very light brown hair, blue eyes.

C. A. HARREL, alias John Barry, alias Berry, has succeeded in defrauding a member bank at Fort Frances, Ontario, Canada, by means of a raised check. The operator was traced to Minneapolis, where he was located in a hotel, and arrested on February 7, 1918, by our Minneapolis detective agents with the assistance of the local police department. Harrel confessed to the fraudulent transaction in question, and has been returned to Fort Frances, Ontario, Canada, for trial.

J. W. HARRINGTON, who defrauded a member at Ocean Springs, Miss., last October, by means of worthless checks, was arrested by the local authorities at Omaha, Neb., on November 22, 1917, on a charge of forgery. Harrington, who was arrested under the name of Frank Wheeler, is an old operator. In 1914 he victimized several member banks, and in September of that year he was arrested at Pittsburgh, Pa. Just recently he was released from the Ohio State Penitentiary, and immediately he took up his swindling transactions. An article relative to Harrington was published in the October, 1914, JOURNAL Supplement, page 229. He is described as 50 years, 5 feet 7½ inches, 152 pounds; has gray slate eyes and red hair.

EARNEST S. HIGHTOWER. On January 19, 1918, our detective agents at Kansas City, Mo., received information from the Iowa Bankers Association relative to one Earnest S. Hightower, who had defrauded a member bank at Des Moines, Iowa, by means of a worthless check drawn on a bank in Paola, Kan. The operator was located in Kansas City the same day by our detective agents, and turned over to the local police pending the arrival of an officer from Des Moines, to which point he will be returned for prosecution. The Iowa Bankers Association co-operated with this Association

in the financing of the investigation. Hightower is 24 years of age, 5 feet 10 inches, 150 pounds, of slender build; has a sallow complexion, light hair, and a very noticeable dimple in his chin.

JAMES M. MCCLURE defrauded three Iowa member banks in the latter part of last December by forging the names of depositors to checks in large amounts, then appearing at the bank offering the forged check for deposit and succeeding in securing a small amount of cash. An official of the victimized Brooklyn, Iowa, bank became suspicious shortly after the transaction in question and upon ascertaining that the check was forged, he immediately communicated with the neighboring towns. The operator was located in a room of a hotel at Grinnell, Iowa, on January 1, 1918, and was arrested by the local authorities. He was given an immediate hearing and bound over to the Grand Jury.

A. PACHECKEL, mentioned elsewhere in this issue, was arrested at Fort Bliss, Texas, on January 22, 1918, by the El Paso authorities. The following day the Grand Jury returned an indictment, and on January 29 Pacheckel was held for trial.

J. RUSHTON SARTAR. During the month of December, 1917, a Clarksdale, Miss., member paid two checks signed S. J. Collum, which were forgeries. The case was reported to our Memphis representative and an investigation was made, which resulted in the arrest of J. Rushton Sartar at Aberdeen, Miss., on January 20, 1918. Sartar confessed to his criminal transactions, and his trial was set for January 26.

FRANCIS G. SKINNER, while employed by a Boston firm of contractors, stole several pay checks and forged the payee's indorsements on same. A Boston member paid upon these checks and, therefore, sustained a loss. Our local detective agents were asked to handle the case. They suspected Skinner, who, they had learned, was leading a very fast life. He was located, and questioned, and immediately acknowledged his guilt. Being a minor, he was left in charge of the juvenile authorities. His description is 16 years of age (appears to be 21), 5 feet 8 inches, 145 pounds, medium build, has dark complexion, black hair, and dark eyes.

ALFRED SPEARS, negro, implicated in two cases of forgery at Dallas, Texas, was arrested on February 8, 1918, through the efforts of an investigator of the Dallas office of our detective agents. He was given a preliminary hearing on Monday morning, February 11, and was bound over to the Grand Jury, his bail being fixed at \$1,000. Alfred Spears is described as 19 years of age, 5 feet 8 or 9 inches, 130 pounds, yellow complexion; has a small scar on the left side of his face.

CHARLES TURPIN, the operator who defrauded a Seattle, Wash., member on January 11, 1918, by means of a forged check drawn on the Canadian Bank of Commerce, Calgary, Canada, was arrested at Butte, Mont., the latter part of January. Turpin's right leg had been amputated and he exhibited at the bank discharge papers from the Canadian Army, claiming to have lost his leg in the battle of Vimy Ridge. He was returned to Tacoma, Wash., for trial on the charge of having passed worthless checks in that city. He is described as 19 to 20 years of age, 5 feet 9 inches, 125 pounds, slender build, dark complexion, dark hair; walks with crutches, right leg off.



JULIA SULLIVAN

JULIA SULLIVAN. On February 7, 1918, a New York city member reported to our local detective agents that they had been victimized by means of a forged check in a small amount. A domestic formerly in the employ of the depositor was suspected. A Burns man took up the case and the suspect was finally located; she was found to be a woman who had recently been discharged from a home for girls. Upon being apprehended, she confessed to having committed the forgery in question. She was arrested on February 11, 1918, and on February 13, she pleaded guilty to a charge of uttering a forged instrument, and was held under \$1,000 bail for Special Sessions.

M. E. WINTERS. While a representative of our Dallas detective agents was in Wichita Falls, Texas, he was informed by a member bank that an operator had presented a bogus check in a considerable amount at another local bank. Later in the day a man answering the description of the operator entered the bank and endeavored to obtain funds on a check drawn against the account which had been opened with the bogus check. Arrangements had been made to have a local police officer on hand and the man was placed under arrest. Later it was ascertained that the operator, whose true name is M. E. Winters, has a suspended sentence hanging over him for the theft of an automobile. He was taken before the Grand Jury the same afternoon. He made a confession, and was indicted on three counts. This man has operated under the names of Edgar Warner, J. E. Wayne, J. A. Wayne, and Roy Baker. He is described as 22 years of age, 5 feet 7 inches, 145 pounds; has a light complexion, blue eyes, and sandy hair.

F. J. ZELZENAK, alias F. J. Zeller. On January 15, 1918, a member bank of Kansas City, Kan., reported to our detective agents that they had suffered a loss on two checks on their bank bearing the forged signature of one of their customers. The checks in question had been cashed by merchants in Kansas City, Mo. An investigation was started and it was then ascertained that the man wanted in this case had already been arrested by the police department in Kansas City, Mo., on the charge of having passed other forged checks.

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MORRIS BACHRACK pleaded guilty to the charge of forgery preferred against him and was sentenced to two years

in the County Prison. He was later paroled on condition that he pay \$25 a month to the parole officer, until the total amount of the forgeries had been repaid.

A. BAER, charged with being implicated in the hold up of the First State Bank, of Tuskahoma, Okla., was acquitted by the jury, and released.

GEORGE H. BENDER has been paroled by the Court on the condition that he makes the forged checks good. He was given eighteen months within which to do this. The court used leniency inasmuch as Bender pleaded guilty.

HARRY B. BRANDON was convicted and sentenced to serve a term of not less than three nor more than five years at the Massachusetts State Prison, Charleston, Mass.

H. A. BUCHANAN has been released by the Oklahoma City, Okla., authorities, his parents having made full restitution.

J. W. CASTEEL has jumped his bond at Dallas, Texas, and is now a fugitive from justice.

FRANK CHISHOLM was convicted of forgery in the second degree, and, on January 24, 1918, he was sentenced to the Penitentiary of the County of New York for an indeterminate term.

HENRY CLAIR, implicated in the hold up of the First State Bank, of Tuskahoma, Okla., has pleaded guilty and was sentenced to 20 years in the penitentiary.

DEWEY DALTON was arrested during July, 1917, and charged with being implicated in a forgery against a member bank at Harrison, Ark. Since then he has been released as the Grand Jury failed to return a true bill against him.

T. H. DOUGLAS has been found guilty by court martial of desertion, escape, impersonating an officer, and forgery, and was sentenced to dishonorable discharge from the service and to ten years' hard labor at the United States Penitentiary, McNeil Island, Wash. While Douglas was serving at the United States Disciplinary Barracks, Alcatraz, Cal., awaiting transportation to the penitentiary, he was charged with escape and larceny; he was tried, convicted, and sentenced to confinement at hard labor for two years at the United States Penitentiary, McNeil Island, Wash. Therefore, this operator will be confined at hard labor for twelve years.

HAROLD FRIESE, who was arrested at Stamford, Conn., on November 16, 1917, was bound over to the Criminal Superior Court in Bridgeport, and was later released under \$1,500 bail. He then went to Brooklyn, N. Y., and was arrested there. He was tried and sentenced to from six months to three years on Riker Island, N. Y.

FRED FUNK came up for trial at Philadelphia, Pa., on February 5, 1918; he pleaded guilty and was sentenced to from three and one half to four years at hard labor.

WM. M. GIFFARD pleaded guilty and has been sentenced to serve a term of ten months.

NILS A. GREEN has been sentenced to two years at Deer Island, Mass.

E. L. HARALSON has been paroled from custody, his father having made restitution to all parties defrauded.

C. A. HARREL entered a plea of guilty and has been sentenced to serve a term of ten months.

J. C. HENRY has been convicted of second degree grand larceny, and was sentenced to the State Penitentiary at Stillwater, Minn., for a term of five years.

GEORGE KERR, arrested in connection with the forgery perpetrated against a member at Harrison, Ark., has been released, the Grand Jury having failed to return a true bill against him.

R. L. LOVE has been sentenced to serve a term in prison at McAlester, Okla.

HERBERT MARTIN was convicted in the Twenty-third Judicial District Court, Franklin, La., for uttering as true certain false checks. However, the judge suspended sentence on account of the physical condition of the prisoner.

W. B. MASSEY. We have been advised by the interested bank that the case against this operator was dismissed without their knowledge or consent.

B. MILLER failed to appear for trial, his bond was declared forfeited, and he is now a fugitive from justice.

P. J. MORRISSEY pleaded guilty to obtaining money under false pretenses, and was sentenced to serve three years at the San Quentin Penitentiary.

A. PACHECKEL was on January 29, 1918, given a two year suspended sentence, after having admitted that he forged the name of his friend, Frank Ywanaskas, to a check in a small amount and received the money at the bank.

N. J. PETERSON. The local county attorney advised the interested member that they could not hold Peterson on their charge, he was therefore released.

HERBERT B. SANSOM was on February 2, 1918, sentenced at Los Angeles, Cal., to serve a term of from one to fourteen years in the San Quentin Penitentiary.

GEORGE R. SALISBURY pleaded guilty and on October 27, 1917, he was sentenced to hard labor on the county roads for two years, and an additional 68 days for the costs. His sentence will expire on January 1, 1920.

J. RUSHTON SARTAR pleaded guilty to obtaining money under false pretenses; he was fined \$25 and costs, and then released. His father made full restitution.

HORACE M. SHIPMAN, alias J. E. Moreland, whose arrest was affected during May, 1917, by our detective agents, and who was returned to Oklahoma City, Okla., on the charge of having defrauded a member there, recently pleaded guilty, and was placed on parole by the court.

FRANCIS G. SKINNER. On January 30, 1918, Skinner entered a plea of guilty to a charge of stealing three pay checks and forging the indorsements on same. He was arraigned before the Juvenile Court, and sentenced to an indeterminate term in the State Reformatory at Shirley, Mass.

FRANK SMITH was on November 12, 1917, given a sentence of five years on probation. Smith was probably granted probation on the plea that he had never been arrested before, and that he could secure employment in a position of trust despite his misstep.

L. S. SMITH, who defrauded a Tulsa, Okla., member by means of forged checks, was sentenced at Topeka, Kan., on a local charge to the State Reformatory at Hutchinson. We have since been advised that the victimized bank is unable to swear that L. S. Smith is the man who forged the checks in question, therefore, the officials prefer not to take out a warrant; and we are removing this man's name from the awaiting trial list.

JIM STONE, charged with having been implicated in the hold up of an El Paso, Ark., member bank, has been re-

leased due to the fact that the grand jury failed to return a true bill against him.

HARRY SWARTZ, alias Harry Schwartz, who was arrested by our detective agents in Tulsa, Okla., on November 10, 1917, and later returned to Okmulgee, Okla., to answer to a charge of having defrauded a member at that place, has been released from custody.

FRANK TALIA was convicted during September, 1917, and was sentenced to serve a term in the State Prison, at Trenton, N. J.

CARL R. TISOR who was returned to Forsyth, Mont., being charged with having been implicated in a forgery committed against a member bank in that city, has been released from custody. The man who operated with Tisor, Wm. N. Stevens, has not been apprehended, and the evidence was not deemed sufficient to warrant the further prosecution of Tisor, consequently, the case was dropped.

CHARLES TURPIN has been sentenced at Tacoma, Wash., on a charge of passing worthless checks, to serve two years in the Washington State Penitentiary, at Monroe, Wash. Inasmuch as this man was sentenced on a previous charge, and the Seattle charge will not be pushed, we are carrying Turpin as removed.

PRINCES WILLIAMS was sentenced on February 8, 1918, to serve a term of not less than two years and six months nor more than four years and eight months at Sing Sing Prison.

C. P. WINFIELD, implicated in the hold up of the First State Bank at Tuskahoma, Okla., has been sentenced to five years in the penitentiary.

F. J. ZELZENAK received, on January 18, 1918, a sentence of three years in the Missouri State Penitentiary, at Jefferson City, Mo.

AWAITING ACTION

ALLEGED FORGERIES AND SWINDLES

Anderson, Clarence, bogus checks, Denver, Colo.
 Bacon, Floyd C., forgery, Conneaut, Ohio.
 Barker, Charles H., forgery, Pontiac, Ill.
 Baughman, A. H., swindle, Tulsa, Okla.
 Bazinet, William, forgery, Lewiston, Me.
 Beasley, Ward. B., forgery, Chicago, Ill.
 Benson, Fred, forgery, Elgin, Ill.
 Blackwell, Percy, worthless checks, Beckley, W. Va.
 Bland, W. F., bogus certificate of deposit, Yale, Okla.
 Blankman, David, forgeries, Boston, Mass.
 Boxley, P. H., bogus certificate of deposit, Hugo, Okla.
 Brock, J. A., forgery, Antlers, Okla.
 Buchanan, H. A., forgery, Oklahoma City, Okla.
 Buckley, J. W., forgery, Portland, Ore.
 Bundy, H. C., forgery, San Francisco, Cal.
 Burger, Otto, forgery, Chester, Pa.
 Burton, Jr., John J., forgery, Prescott, Ariz.
 Campbell, George, forgery, Beckley, W. Va.
 Carter, Dave, forgery, Houston, Texas.
 Charles, W. W., mortgage swindle, Miami, Fla.
 Chippenfield, Austin B., forgery, Moundsville, W. Va.
 Christmas, Hyman H., forged telegram, Greenville, S. C.
 Churchill, Roy, forgery, Amarillo, Texas.

- Clough, Roscoe E., forgery, Denver, Colo.
 Cogswell, A. J., forgery, New York, N. Y.
 Cole, W. R., attempt to swindle, Alexandria, La.
 Colley, R. B., bogus checks, Jackson, Miss.
 Collum, Belle, forgery, Yazoo City, Miss.
 Colwell, H. H., forgery, Plainview, Texas.
 Comstock, W. J., forged indorsement, Detroit, Mich.
 Cooper, C. S., worthless checks, Los Angeles, Cal.
 Cooper, H. O., worthless drafts, Indianapolis, Ind.
 Davis, H. H., bogus checks, Ogden, Utah.
 Dawson, A. L., forgery, Laurel, Miss.
 Dix, E. L., forged letters of credit, San Antonio, Texas.
 Du Bois, L. E., forgery, Kansas City, Mo.
 Du Pars, Maurice, bogus checks, Philadelphia, Pa.
 Easterbrook, Gus, forgery, Alexandria, La.
 Edgington, H. B., worthless check, Humboldt, Iowa.
 Evans, H. R., bogus certificate of deposit, Ada, Okla.
 Faith, James, forgery, Corona, N. Mex.
 Faulkner, F. P., forgery, Fresno, Cal.
 Ferris, Jack, forgery, San Francisco, Cal.
 Ford, Homer, Palmore, raised checks, Portland, Ore.
 Garnett, Chas. H., bogus certificate of deposit, Ada, Okla.
 Garrett, P. R., mortgage swindle, Duncan, Okla.
 Goble, V. R., forged notes, Concordia, Mo.
 Goode, W. H., mortgage swindle, Edmond, Okla.
 Gore, Robert, forgery, Madison, W. Va.
 Green, Frank F., bogus drafts, Bowling Green, Ky.
 Griffin, M. H., bogus checks, Kansas City, Mo.
 Gross, Harry, raised checks, Columbus, Ohio.
 Gunder, P. A., forgery, Waterloo, Iowa.
 Hammer, Clyde, forgery, Los Angeles, Cal.
 Hansen, Robert, forgery, San Francisco, Cal.
 Harrington, J. W., worthless checks, Ocean Springs, Miss.
 Heard, H. C., bogus checks, Bend, Ore.
 High, Dan, forgery, Tulsa, Okla.
 Hightower, A. E., forgery, Tulsa, Okla.
 Hightower, Earnest S., worthless check, Des Moines, Iowa.
 Hinche, Iva Mae, forgery, Tulsa, Okla.
 Hinche, Marvin, forgery, Tulsa, Okla.
 Hix, J. S., bogus certificate of deposit, Ada, Okla.
 Horrigan, J. S., worthless check, Portland, Ore.
 Howard, Felix, forgery, Houston, Texas.
 Hughes, C. K., worthless checks, Beckley, W. Va.
 Johnson, W. A., bogus check, Littleton, Colo.
 Jones, J. Greeley, bogus certificates of deposit, Ada, Okla.
 Keiser, Capt. J. C., worthless checks, New Orleans, La.
 Kelley, George, worthless check, Little Rock, Ark.
 Kerdell, Lillian, forgery, Jacksonville, Fla.
 Kirby, Clifford, worthless checks, Cincinnati, Ohio.
 Klein, George, forgery, St. Joseph, Mo.
 Knapp, Lena M., forgery, Adrian, Mich.
 Kocker, Emil, forgery, Jersey City, N. J.
 Krepps, A. C., forgery, Charleroi, Pa.
 Larson, E. D., forgery, Bountiful, Utah.
 Laub, Lyle T., bogus checks, Indianapolis, Ind.
 Leigh, W., forgery, Philadelphia, Pa.
 Lifer, F., forgery, Jackson, Miss.
 Locke, H. A., bogus certified check, Savannah, Ga.
 Mack, J. W., bogus certificate of deposit, Hugo, Okla.
 Mathews, De Leon, forgery, Lake City, S. C.
 McBrier, J. F., forged indorsement, Beckley, W. Va.
 McCann, E. C., bogus checks, Atlanta, Ga.
 McCarthy, Elmore, forgery, Houston, Texas.
 McClair, Herbert L., forgery, Philadelphia, Pa.
 McClanahan, J. A., forged notes, Concordia, Mo.
 McClure, James M., forgery, Brooklyn, Iowa.
 McDaniel, Percy, mortgage swindle, Wray, Colo.
 McMillon, T. A., mortgage swindle, Thorndale, Texas.
 Miller, Peter J., worthless checks, Chicago, Ill.
 Minor, R. A., forgery, Jacksonville, Fla.
 Moore, L. C., forgery, Greeley, Colo.
 Moore, Lester, forgery, Birmingham, Ala.
 Moore, Sidney, forgery, Sebastopol, Cal.
 Nix, Wyatt L., bogus certificate of deposit, Hugo, Okla.
 Noble, Ralph, forgery, Oklahoma City, Okla.
 O'Donnell, Joseph, worthless checks, San Francisco, Cal.
 O'Neil, J. T., forgery, Wallingford, Conn.
 Owens, Miles, worthless checks, Portland, Ore.
 Pavlavitz, Ivan, forgery, Akron, Ohio.
 Persch, Donald, bogus checks, Los Angeles, Cal.
 Peterson, Lawrence, forgery, St. Louis, Mo.
 Pettit, Waittie, mortgage swindle, Chelsea, Okla.
 Quinn, Robert, forgery, Clarksburg, W. Va.
 Rembert, Julius, forgery, Houston, Texas.
 Robinette, I. T., Mt. Hope, W. Va.
 Roll, D. M., forgery, Evansville, Ind.
 Rollison, C. A., raised check, Waycross, Ga.
 Roth, Homer F., bogus check, Goshen, Ind.
 Runnells, York, forgery, Houston, Texas.
 Safreed, Meta, forgery, Okmulgee, Okla.
 Sanden, Fred, forgery, Cut Bank, Mont.
 Scott, Walter A., forgery, Pasco, Wash.
 Sheldon, James E., mortgage swindle, Leesburg, Fla.
 Shoe, George B., forgery, Akron, Ohio.
 Simon, David, forgery, Cincinnati, Ohio.
 Smith, Leroy C., forgery, Highland Park, Ill.
 Spears, Alfred, forgery, Dallas, Texas.
 Sullivan, Julia, forgery, New York, N. Y.
 Tope, J. Leroy, forgery, Joliet, Ill.
 Van Leuven, Bert, worthless check, Salina, Kan.
 Walger, Henry A., forgery, Wallis, Texas.
 Ward, Erret, forged drafts, Wichita Falls, Texas.
 Warner, Lon, mortgage swindle, Higgins, Texas.
 Waters, Bert, forgery, Olean, N. Y.
 Watkins, Jack, forgery, Houston, Texas.
 Weil, M. L., worthless draft, Elko, Nev.
 Williams, G. H., bogus checks, Lake Providence, La.
 Willis, G. S., bogus check, Brooksville, Fla.
 Willman, John W., forged note, Duluth, Minn.
 Winters, M. E., attempted swindle, Wichita Falls, Texas.
 Wisdom, G. C., bogus certificate of deposit, Cushing, Okla.
 Woods, Mingo, forgery, Houston, Texas.
 Young, Ng, forgery, San Francisco, Cal.

BURGLARS AND HOLD-UP ROBBERS

- Alderman, Hugo, hold-up, Homestead, Fla.
 Bergens, J. W., robbery and murder, Point, Texas.
 Carden, Julius, hold-up, Heavener, Okla.
 Carden, Julius, hold-up, Glenwood, Ark.
 Carter, Charlie, alleged bank robber, Point, Texas.
 Davis, Earl, hold-up, Granville, Ohio.
 Embry, Jack, hold-up, Glenwood, Ark.
 Fortner, Howard, contemplated robbery, Windsor, Ill.
 Hester, Wm., burglary, DeQueen, Ark.
 Lewis, Carl, hold-up, Huttig, Ark.
 Litrell, Jess, hold-up, Harrah, Okla.

McKinney, Calvin, robbery, Crowder, Okla.
 Marvin, Harold, robbery, Oronogo, Mo.
 Mitchell, William, hold-up, Taylor, Mo.
 Quattlebaum, Arthur, robbery, El Paso, Ark.
 Quattlebaum, Sid, robbery, El Paso, Ark.

Rankin, Iola, suspected hold-up, Hugo, Okla.
 Schultz, L. H., hold-up, Granville, Ohio.
 Smith, Frank, hold-up, Heavener, Okla.
 Warnix, John, burglary, DeQueen, Ark.
 Warnix, Enoch, burglary, DeQueen, Ark.

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| | Awaiting trial August 31, 1917 | Arrested since August 31, 1917 | Arrests in February, 1917 | Total | Convicted | Discharged or acquitted | Fugitive, escaped, insane or died | Awaiting trial |
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| Forgers..... | 108 | 166 | 28 | 194 | 108 | 47 | 11 | 136 |
| Burglars..... | 4 | 3 | | 3 | 4 | | | 3 |
| Hold-up robbers..... | 24 | 12 | | 12 | 11 | 7 | | 18 |
| Sneak thieves..... | | 1 | | 1 | | 1 | | |
| Total..... | 136 | 182 | 28 | 210 | 123 | 55 | 11 | 157 |

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RULES OF THE PROTECTIVE COMMITTEE

1. Upon receipt of notification by the General Secretary, Five Nassau Street, New York City, or the nearest office or correspondent of the William J. Burns International Detective Agency, Inc., of an attempted or successful perpetration of fraud or crime upon a member of this Association in its banking rooms, or in the rooms of such branches as are members, either by forgery, check-raising, worthless or bogus checks, swindle, sneak theft, robbery, hold-up or burglary therein, the committee will at once use its best efforts to apprehend the criminal. No action, however, will be taken unless immediate notice is given, and **a case once committed to the Association cannot be taken out of its hands nor the offense condoned or compromised.** If for any reason whatsoever no prosecution takes place when the member is in a legal position to aid in the prosecution, and fails to do so, such member shall reimburse the Association for all expenses incurred in connection with the case reported.

2. In reporting cases the member agrees to swear out a warrant for the criminal concerned when his identity has been determined: or a John Doe warrant at once in states where permitted. The committee relentlessly pursues both amateur and professional criminals in cases of attempted or successful fraud or crime upon members of the Association, but cannot take cognizance of such offenses where perpetrated upon others than members, or of so-called "inside jobs" where the offender is an officer or employee of a member. The committee relies upon the state, county or local authorities to arrange for the extradition and the payment of expense incident to the return of a prisoner. The committee will not pay witness fees, and will not be responsible for any expense incurred for protective work which has not been previously authorized.

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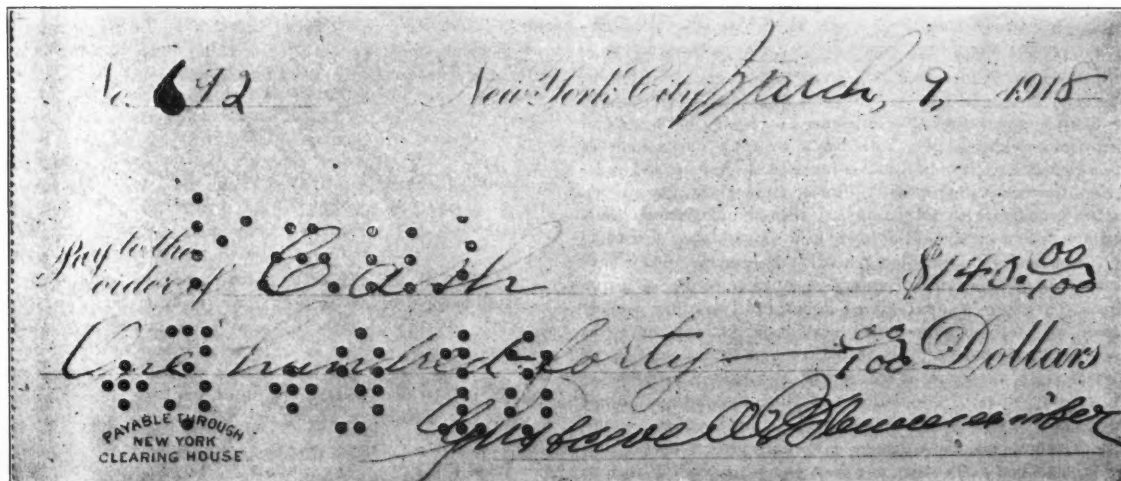
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Your aid is solicited in apprehending clever forgers

You have all heard of the operations of the "Mail Box Gang," and their transactions with the "Bearer" and "Cash" checks. They have again taken up their operations and are finding many victims among our members, who are located within commuting distance of New York city. We are repro-

ducing two checks showing specimens of their work. The "Bearer" check is raised from a very small amount, and can usually be distinguished by the word "Bearer," also by the method of always placing the maker's signature on the back of the check for the purpose of identification.

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Should you be asked to honor a "Bearer" check, hold the presenter and call us immediately. The "Cash" checks are usually presented by a young boy, who is picked up from the street and sent into the bank by the operator. Do not detain him, tell him anything, but see that he leaves the bank at once, as any delay will cause the operator to become suspicious, and he will leave the vicinity. Have one of your runners or paying tellers follow the boy until he joins the man, then follow the latter until you come to the first officer, who will arrest him at your request. By following this procedure you will aid the banking fraternity, and will rid the city of a very dangerous type of an operator.

L. R. BANNING. An operator using the name of L. R. Banning has victimized an El Paso, Texas, member bank by inducing them to cash a bogus check drawn on the Citizens National Bank, Odessa, Texas. Banning is described as 36 years, 180 pounds, 5 feet 10 inches, stout build, medium complexion, medium sandy hair, gray eyes, small light mustache; lips noticeably.

L. R. Banning

WILLIAM BOLING. Recently several pay checks were stolen from a mining corporation with offices at Far River, Okla. About twenty of the stolen pay checks were cashed in Joplin, Mo., by merchants. The Commerce, Okla., member bank, on which these checks were drawn, paid on some of them, and as they bore the forged signature of an official of the mining firm, the bank will suffer a loss. The identity of the operator, who used the names of William Boling, Charles White, George Elkins, Robert Smith, Clarence Barnes, etc., has not as yet been ascertained. The Oklahoma City representative of our detective agents is making an investigation. The operator is described as 25 to 28 years of age, 5 feet 8 inches, 160 pounds; has a medium dark complexion, dark hair, and brown eyes.

William Boling

LAWRENCE J. BURCH, alias W. W. Butler, alias Roy B. James, and **MILES R. CONFER,** alias L. B. Jackson, alias J. B. Meikin. These two men are deserters from Fort Stevens, Ore., and are wanted by the military authorities on a charge of desertion. Recently they have been operating in San Francisco, and Oakland, Cal., with bogus drafts. Their mode of operation is as follows: Both enter a bank wearing the regulation United States Army Uniform, state that they are on furlough and present forged papers, then one of them presents a draft drawn on an out-of-town bank, states they are short of funds, and requests that the draft be cashed. They have been successful in victimizing one member bank of San Francisco. They have also attempted to defraud two other member banks, as the drafts presented have been returned with the notation "No account." Our detective agents are making an investigation, the costs of which will be prorated between the California Bankers Association and this Association. Burch is described as 24 years of age, 5 feet 8 inches, 140 pounds, ruddy complexion, dark brown hair, dark brown eyes. Confer is described as 19 years of age, 5 feet 8 inches, 160 pounds, fair complexion, dark brown hair, blue eyes.

T. M. CARLTON is passing checks in the vicinity of San Francisco and Oakland, Cal., bearing the forged signature of a customer of an Oakland member bank. Three of these checks were paid by the bank before the forgeries were discovered, so the bank has been victimized. The operator is a Portuguese, and his description is 5 feet 3 inches, 150 pounds, dark complexion.

The California Bankers Association is prorating the cost of this investigation with this Association.

W. CRAMER. A Los Angeles, Cal., member has been victimized by one W. Cramer, on a check bearing a forged indorsement. Cramer has been a depositor of the bank he defrauded for approximately three years. He has been employed by the man whose name he forged for the past eight years. On February 16, he made up the deposit slip for his firm, but it has since developed that none of the items were deposited in the bank where the firm kept their account. Cramer's bank account, until recently, was a small one. The check referred to above is the only one that has been heard from, so possibly other banks have been victimized, who do not know of their loss as yet. The California Bankers Association is prorating the costs of an investigation with this Association. The operator is described as 35 to 38 years of age, 5 feet 6 or 7 inches, 150 to 160 pounds, dark complexion, brown eyes.

C. W. CRANDALL has defrauded a Dickinson, N. D., member bank by a mortgage swindle. He secured a loan on several head of cattle and horses, and it has since developed that he never owned the property he mortgaged. He has disappeared from Dickinson, N. D., his present whereabouts being unknown. A warrant has been issued, and our detective agents are making an investigation. The North Dakota Bankers Association will co-operate in financing an investigation to be made by our agents.

EDWARD J. CUMMINGS has victimized member banks of Los Angeles and El Centro, Cal., by means of worthless drafts bearing the forged signatures of two officials of the American Smelting and Refining Company, Shuarita, Ariz. Cummings represented himself to be an engineer for the firm named, and as the draft was on a printed form and everything appeared regular, he was successful in securing the funds. The California Bankers Association is co-operating with this Association in financing an investigation. The operator is described as 35 to 40 years of age, 5 feet 6 inches, 150 pounds; of stocky build; has a dark complexion, brown hair, and blue eyes; wears a short stubby mustache.

Edward J. Cummings

CLIFFORD FREEMAN. A man claiming to be Clifford Freeman entered a Des Moines, Iowa, member bank, and presented a pay check of the Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific Railway Company, which in some way he had secured possession of. He forged the indorsement of the payee and was able to obtain the funds. The Iowa Bankers Association is co-operating with this Association in financing an investigation.

F. A. FREEMAN has victimized a Los Angeles, Cal., member bank, by means of two checks drawn on a San Francisco

member bank, bearing the forged signatures of a depositor. Freeman is also guilty of embezzlement having appropriated to his own use funds of his former employer. In a letter to a friend the operator blamed his missteps on his need of money to provide for his wife and mother. An investigation is being made by our detective agents and the California Bankers Association is co-operating with this Association in financing the same. Freeman is described as 35 to 40 years, 5 feet 6 inches, 185 pounds, light complexion, blonde hair, and blue eyes.

CLAUDE GAULT. An El Paso, Texas, member bank has been defrauded through cashing a draft drawn on the Santa Rita Store Company, Santa Rita, N. Mex., by one Claude Gault. Gault had no authority to draw this draft, besides, he is unknown to the drawee. The operator is described as 28 years of age, 155 pounds, 5 feet 10 inches; of medium slender build; has a fair complexion, dark hair, and dark eyes.

G. W. GREEN. An individual giving his name as G. W. Green called at a Denver member bank during the latter part of January, 1918, and endeavored to open an account with a check dated one day ahead, drawn on an Alamosa, Col., member bank. He was not permitted to open an account, but the check was taken for collection. It was forwarded to the bank it was drawn on, and paid by that bank. On January 30, 1918, Green was allowed to open an account, he being credited with the total amount of the check. Shortly afterwards he checked out the greater part of the amount standing to his credit. It was then discovered that the check deposited for collection bore the forged signature of a depositor of the Alamosa, Col., bank, consequently that bank stands to lose on the transaction. The operator also attempted to secure funds from the Alamosa bank by wire, he having sent a telegram, signed with the name of the depositor, to the bank, asking that funds be wired to Denver. An investigation by our detective agents at Denver is under way. G. W. Green is described as 28 years of age, 5 feet 6 inches, 140 pounds; of swartly complexion; has dark eyes, and black hair.

C. A. HUNTER has caused a Beaumont, Texas, member bank to suffer a loss on a forged check in a considerable amount. On February 5, 1918, C. A. Hunter opened an account with a Houston, Texas, member bank, depositing cash and a check. The next day Hunter checked out a large part of the money to his credit; then on February 11, he deposited a check drawn on the Beaumont bank. On the same day he drew two checks against his account, reducing the same to a small amount. The check on the Beaumont bank bore the forged signature of a depositor, but the forgery was not discovered until the account was balanced; hence the Beaumont bank stands to suffer a loss. Hunter is described as 25 years, 5 feet 11 inches, about 150 pounds; of medium build; has a medium florid complexion, and hair with a reddish tint.

HARRY KRELEBERG, alias Harry Berg. We published articles relative to this operator in the January, 1914, March, 1914, and February, 1915, JOURNAL Supplements. During 1913, he traveled throughout the country operating with forged checks. In January, 1914, he was arrested in Illinois and returned to St. Louis, Mo., for trial. He was later sentenced to serve four years in the Missouri State Penitentiary. Some time during last year Harry Kreleberg evidently must have secured his release, as during November, 1917, he victimized a Kansas City, Mo., member bank by means of a bogus check in a large amount

drawn on the Greenwich Bank, New York, N. Y. Harry Kreleberg is now using the name of Harry Berg, his last operation being as follows: He claimed to be the owner of the Berg Products Company, New York city, which firm was a film exchange; he presented the check referred to above at a Kansas City bank, and the same was later returned protested. A description of Kreleberg, alias Berg, is as follows: 32 years, 5 feet 7½ inches, 138 to 140 pounds, medium build, dark complexion, dark hair.

JAMES LEWIS, alias Frank Williams, alias Ben Jones, negro, has succeeded in defrauding a member at Little Rock, Ark., by means of a bogus check. Lewis called at the bank and claimed to be a cook stationed at Camp Pike, stating that the check had been given to him by his commanding officer. Our representatives at Memphis are now engaged in tracing this individual's movements.

THOMAS LIPMAN has defrauded a Dallas, Texas, member bank by means of a check in a small amount, bearing the forged signature of a depositor. Our detective agents at Dallas are making an investigation. Lipman is described as 27 years of age, 6 feet, 140 pounds; of slender build; has a fair complexion, brown eyes, and brown hair.

JOHN MARTHAKS. A Greek, representing himself as John Marthaks, is operating in Salt Lake City, Utah, with checks drawn on a Murray, Utah, member bank, bearing the forged signature of a depositor. The bank paid on two of these checks before the forgeries were discovered, consequently stands to suffer a loss. The operator is 25 years of age, 5 feet 7 inches, 140 pounds; has a very dark complexion, black hair, and dark brown eyes.

W. J. QUICK, alias "Press," defrauded a member bank of Lake Charles, La., by means of a check to which he had forged the signature of his employer. Early in January "Press" disappeared from Lake Charles. An investigation is being made by our detective agents at New Orleans. The operator is a decorator by trade, and is supposed to be of English or Scotch origin. He is described as 24 years, 130 pounds; has a light complexion and blue eyes.

JOSE RAMOS has for some time been issuing checks on an El Paso, Texas, member bank, signing the name of one of the bank's customers to them. Before the bank became aware of the forgeries they had taken in two of the checks, and are, therefore, losers in a small amount. The El Paso representative of our detective agents is making an investigation of this matter.

RAY REID. On January 29, 1918, a party claiming to be Ray Reid presented at a Texarkana, Ark., member bank a check in a small amount, bearing the forged signature of a depositor, drawn on that bank. He secured the funds, therefore the bank has been victimized. No description of the operator is available at this writing.

A. R. ROBINSON. A man representing himself to be A. R. Robinson entered a clothing store in Birmingham, Ala., during the latter part of last year, presented a check, and stated that he wanted to pay the bill owed by a lady resident of Birmingham. The check was accepted, and the operator received the difference in cash. The check in question which was drawn on the paper of a Birmingham member bank, bore the forged signature of a depositor, and was paid by the bank; hence the member stands to lose on the transaction. No description of the operator is available at this time. Our Birmingham detective agents are investigating the matter.

C. C. ROBINSON, alias W. E. Anderson. On February 1, 1918, this operator defrauded two member banks at Louisville, Ky., both being large amounts, by means of forged drafts drawn on the People's State Bank, of Sullivan, Ind. Robinson claimed to be representing an automobile tire firm, which had decided to open offices in Louisville, and under that pretext opened accounts at the two defrauded banks. He is now operating with bogus drafts of the same bank drawn against their supposed account in the National City Bank, New York city. Robinson is 35 to 40 years of age, 5 feet 8 inches, 165 to 170 pounds; has blue eyes, and light brown hair; speaks slowly and deliberately.

EDWARD S. RUSSELL. Through an employment agency of Los Angeles, Cal., Russell secured a position with a Calipatria, Cal., firm. After working a little over a week, he cashed at a Calipatria member bank a check drawn by himself on the Bank of California, Tacoma, Wash., also a draft drawn by him on his father through the United States Bank of Denver, Col. Later developments proved that Russell had no account at the first mentioned bank, and neither he nor his father were known at the second mentioned bank. He disappeared from Calipatria on February 9, and has not been seen since. When Russell secured the position at Calipatria, he exhibited an honorable discharge from Camp Lewis, American Lake, Wash., and claimed he was a stenographer in the Quartermaster's Corps while there; he also showed a letter of recommendation from the officer in charge. Edward S. Russell is described as 25 years of age, 5 feet 8 inches, 150 pounds; has dark eyes, and dark curly hair; the toes on one foot have been cut off, which makes him walk on his heel.

Edward S. Russell

R. W. SIMONS. This operator, who at one time was a practicing dentist, has, it is alleged, defrauded a Bayonne, N. J., member by means of several checks to which was forged the signature of one of their customers, who is also a dentist. These checks, all bearing the indorsements of various New York city dental houses, were received through the clearings and were paid before the forgeries were discovered. The operator's description is 35 years, 5 feet 5 inches, 140 pounds; has a sandy complexion, large head and neck, broad shoulders; has the appearance of a Jew.

JOE STUTZ, alias F. Betz. Some individual familiar with the office routine work of Mason & Hanger-McArthur Bros., Inc., Newark, N. J., has seized an opportunity and is "floating" forged pay checks of that firm in the vicinity of Jersey City and Newark, N. J. The checks are usually made payable in the first name that enters the operator's mind. From the varying descriptions supplied it is believed that the real operator in this case has been successful in getting men who hang around saloons to cash his forged checks, probably giving them a small part of the money they receive for their trouble. To date a Newark member bank has suffered a loss due to paying on some of these checks when received through the clearings.

JOHN TAIT, and wife, operated during February in Delta, Colo., with forged checks. Tait worked on a ranch in the vicinity of Delta for a short time, and the name of the owner of that ranch was the one forged to the checks. The Paonia, Colo., member on whom the checks were drawn, re-

fused payment on all but one, therefore only suffered a small loss. Their mode of operation was to enter a store, make a small purchase, tender a forged check, and receive the difference in cash. Our detective agents are making an investigation. The present whereabouts of the operators is unknown. John Tait is 28 years of age, 5 feet 9 inches, 140 to 145 pounds; has a fair complexion, brown hair, and blue eyes. Mrs. Tait is 22 or 23 years of age, 5 feet 4 or 5 inches, 135 to 140 pounds; has a muddy complexion, brown hair, and dark gray eyes.

ED. TAYLOR. By securing funds on a check drawn against the Wallowa National Bank, Enterprise, Ore., which bore the forged signature of one of their customers, another local bank suffered a small loss. The operator was able to commit his swindle due to the fact that he was well known in Enterprise. His description is 20 years, 5 feet 7 inches, 135 pounds, stocky build; has dark complexion, dark brown hair; walks with a shuffle; and is a trifle stooped; has a habit of biting his finger nails. The Oregon Bankers Association is co-operating with this Association in financing the investigation now being made by our detective agents.

W. THOMAS, etc. A member bank at El Paso, Texas, has suffered a loss through cashing several stolen Pullman Company pay checks bearing forged indorsements. The operator, who has used the following names, W. Thomas, J. Thomas, J. Bouman, F. Crisp, and J. Garcia, is said to have joined the army. Our detective agents' representative at El Paso is working on the case.

J. M. WARFIELD has victimized a Chicago, Ill., member by means of a bogus check. When Warfield entered the bank on March 15, he stated he was a nephew of a former governor of Maryland and was in Chicago intending to open an office for his firm, the "Inventors Finance Company." The cashier, believing Warfield to be all he represented, allowed him to open an account with a check in a large amount, on the Union National Bank, of Pittsburgh, Pa., signed "Inventors Finance Company, Per J. M. Warfield, Pres." The following day, Saturday, Warfield came into the bank, and requested to be allowed to draw some money as he wanted to make several purchases over Sunday. His request was granted, and he was permitted to withdraw a considerable amount. On March 18, the Chicago bank received a telegram from the Pittsburgh bank to the effect that the drawer of the check was not known and there were no funds with which to meet it. Our detective agents are endeavoring to locate the operator, who is described as 40 to 45 years of age, 5 feet 8 or 9 inches, 145 to 150 pounds; is well set up, but not stocky; of medium complexion; has dark hair; wears glasses with tortoise shell rims.

GENERAL

FOUR BOY FORGERS ARRESTED

James McQuade, Frank Holland, Arthur Hucke, and Frank Heusner arrested in Brooklyn, N. Y., following attempt to defraud non-member Bank

On March 9, 1918, Frank Heusner entered a Brooklyn non-member bank, presented a check drawn on the paper of the National Bank of Commerce, New York, and endeavored to secure the funds. The teller became suspicious, the operator was detained, and the police were notified, after it had been

ascertained that the check in question was a forgery. Acting on information given by Heusner, the police were able to apprehend McQuade, Holland and Huckle. It developed that three checks had been stolen by Huckle from a printing establishment, McQuade and Holland had written up the checks, and Heusner endeavored to pass them. On March 12, the operators were arraigned in the Jamaica Juvenile Court. McQuade and Huckle pleaded guilty and were remanded for sentence. Holland and Heusner asked for an adjournment, and were held under bail for examination. Each of the operators is said to be 15 years of age.

D. T. ALGEO, claiming to be a United States Secret Service agent, and wearing a soldier's uniform, caused a Hollenberg, Kans., member bank to suffer a loss. Our detective agents received this information through the Kansas Bankers Association. Later the same Association advised that the arrest of the operator had been effected, and that he had been turned over to the Federal authorities. He will be prosecuted on a charge of desertion and not for his worthless check operations. Algeo is 23 years of age, 5 feet 7 inches, 145 pounds, and of rather slender build; he had a red or sandy, short, fuzzy mustache.

OTTO BAUMAN, relative to whom an article was published in the February, 1918, JOURNAL Supplement, has made full restitution to the interested bank (a non-member of this Association but a member of the Iowa Bankers Association), was fined \$500 and \$110, and was released on good behavior.

BENSON. While employed as a night clerk for a Denver, Col., hotel, this individual stole \$8,000 in cash, several Liberty bonds and cashiers' checks. Two of these checks were payable to R. E. Dunn, drawn on the Drovers National Bank, Kansas City, Mo. Benson is described as 33 years, 5 feet 6 inches, 140 pounds; has dark hair graying at temples, a medium brown mustache graying; is a Jew and had very Jewish features; a naked woman is tattooed on his forearm.

J. B. BOYD. A young man claiming to be Lieut. J. B. Boyd of the 45th Division Headquarters, Jefferson Barracks, Mo., is passing bogus checks in Pittsburgh, Pa., drawn on the Third National Bank of St. Louis, Mo., at which bank he has no account. The operator is described as 25 years, 6 feet, 155 pounds; has a fair complexion, and light brown hair; wore the uniform of a lieutenant in the United States Army.

C. A. BURTON. By issuing bogus checks drawn on the Chicago State Bank, Chicago, Ill., a non-existent institution, Burton is finding many victims. He claims to be in the food products business. He is 52 years of age, 5 feet 11 inches, 150 pounds; of slender build; has a florid complexion, blue eyes, and sandy hair.

PAUL CLAXTON called upon a Forbes, N. D., member and endeavored to gain their confidence by negotiating a real estate deal. He deposited a \$5,000 check drawn on the Security Bank, Knox, N. D., and then presented a small personal check asking to have it honored. His request was refused. His description is 5 feet 7 inches, 140 to 145 pounds; has long brown hair; wore a pair of high boots, light tan sweater, blue serge suit, and gray overcoat.

A CHARMED SWINDLER

FAYETTE M. DEEDS, alias C. Buford, alias C. H. Mathews. By perusing the record of this individual one would be-



FAYETTE M. DEEDS

lieve he was well named. Twice our agents have effected his arrest, and he has acknowledged his share in the crimes. On both occasions some unforeseen occurrence has taken place, whereupon each time he was released without being prosecuted. In the JOURNAL Supplements for August, 1916, and October, 1917, we published articles concerning his previous transactions. On February 23, last, a representative of the Kansas City office of our detective agents, aided by the local authorities, placed Deeds under arrest at the request of the New Orleans, La., police, at which point he was wanted for swindling a local member by means of forged checks.

Deeds, it seems, following one of his fraudulent transactions at Cedar Rapids, Iowa, fled to Canada, where he enlisted in the flying corps of the Canadian Army. All went well with him until he anticipated his commission and appeared in public wearing the uniform of a Canadian officer. For this offence, he was court martialled and dismissed from the army.

With his discharge papers in his hands Deeds found it easy to alter the cause of his dismissal, making same read "for disability." He then proceeded to New Orleans, where he secured employment as an aviator in an aeroplane factory, on the strength of his discharge papers. While at this occupation Deeds seized an opportunity and stole several pay checks of his employers. Assuming the name of C. H. Mathews, he forged the signature of an official to the checks and successfully operated against a local bank.

Following this operator's arrest at Kansas City, there was some hitch relative to defraying the expenses of returning Deeds, alias Mathews, to New Orleans; and, as this controversy could not be satisfactorily settled, Deeds again secured his release, further establishing the fact that he bears

a charmed existence when it comes to answering for his crimes. Our members would do well to be on the watch for this individual.

JOHN DELBERNI, alias C. Culcorin, alias S. P. Cirino, was arrested on January 18, 1918, by the city police of New Orleans, La. He was charged with forgery and obtaining goods under false pretenses. Delberni ordered a suit of clothes and a hat sent to a saloon, representing himself as the proprietor. When the goods came, the operator met the boy on the sidewalk, told him he was just leaving for dinner, and gave him a check to which he had forged the name of the owner of the saloon. He then went into a dry goods store, bought some merchandise, and worked the same trick. Three weeks previous to his arrest, Delberni was released from the State Penitentiary for good behavior, still having six months of a two year sentence to serve.

ROBERT H. DRAPER has victimized a Wenatchee, Wash., member bank by means of a bogus check drawn on the City National Bank, of Dallas, Texas. A few months previous to the time of cashing the check Draper had an account with the bank he defrauded, hence he was known to the cashier, and experienced little difficulty in securing funds on the check in question. An investigation is being made, the costs of which are being prorated between the Washington Bankers Association and this Association. The operator is described as 35 to 40 years of age, 5 feet 7 or 8 inches, 140 pounds, of slender build; has a sallow complexion, dark hair, and brown eyes.

L. GORDON was recently employed as a bartender in El Paso, Texas. After closing out his account with an El Paso member bank, he issued a number of worthless checks on that bank. It is said that the worthless checks were given to settle gambling debts. Gordon is 26 years of age, 130 pounds, 5 feet 7 inches; of slender build; has a sallow complexion, dark hair, and dark eyes.



A. G. GRAHAM

A. G. GRAHAM, etc. On behalf of a member of the Washington Bankers Association located at Centralia, Wash., who was defrauded by a bogus check, our detective agents were actively engaged in endeavoring to locate the above named operator. They finally ascertained, after tracing him the entire length of the Pacific Coast, that he had been apprehended at San Bernardino, Cal., by the local police on a bogus check charge, under the name of Chester N. Dunbar. In that operation he posed as a first lieutenant. During his travels Graham used the aliases of B. E. Patten, B. E. Campbell, and C. D. Allen; his true name is Burton Elder Gates. He is a parole violator and will be returned to the Oregon State Penitentiary, at Salem, to finish his unexpired term, after he has satisfied the California and Washington authori-

ties. He is described as 29 years of age, 5 feet 6 inches, 150 pounds; has a dark complexion, dark hair, and dark blue eyes.

D. A. GRAHAM is drawing checks on the Colorado National Bank, Denver, Col., which are being returned as this individual does not carry an account with that institution. He has operated in and about Philadelphia. He claims friendly relations with Villa, the Mexican Bandit; is quite a ladies' man considering his age. The victims of the operator describe him as 70 years of age, 6 feet 110 pounds, very slender, gray mixed hair, short stubby gray mixed mustache, decided southern accent, appears to be a well educated southern gentleman.

CLARKE H. HOWE is forging the name of C. M. Wyant to checks drawn on the First National Bank, Bowerston, Ohio, and passing them on merchants. Warrants have been issued for Howe, and his woman companion, charging them with forging and uttering. Howe is a discharged soldier, his description is 25 years, 5 feet 11 inches, 180 pounds; has a reddish complexion, and auburn hair. Mabel Ranswiler, his companion is 20 years, 5 feet 6 inches, 150 pounds; has a light complexion, and light hair.

H. W. JONES is operating against the merchants of El Paso Texas, with stolen printed checks of the Rio Grande Valley Dairy Association. These checks bear the forged signature of an official and are drawn on the El Paso Bank and Trust Company. The operator is described as 35 years, 5 feet 10 inches, 155 pounds, fair complexion, dark hair and dark eyes.

C. B. KELLEY endeavored to defraud a Chicago member by securing funds on uncollected items. He opened an account with this member using two checks drawn on the Bank of Commerce, Lexington, Ky., payable to himself. Failing to secure an advance, he cashed several checks in the neighborhood. One of his victims described him as 31 or 32 years of age, 6 feet 2 inches, 175 pounds; has a ruddy complexion, and light brown hair.

L. E. KENYON is operating in the state of California, with bogus checks drawn on the paper of the Northwest Trust and Savings Bank, of Seattle, Wash., and bearing the forged certification of that bank. To date we have no record of a bank having been victimized.

N. P. NEAL recently passed a check at Washington, D. C., drawn on the Commercial National Bank, of El Paso, Texas. This check is worthless as there is no such institution in El Paso. No bank has suffered a loss.

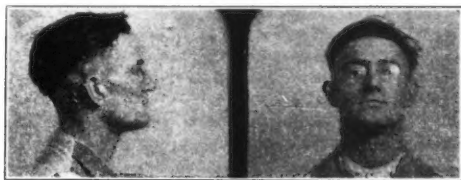
FREDERICK E. NORTON is issuing bogus checks drawn on the Bank of Italy, Los Angeles, Cal. He is partial to drug stores as they seem to lead in number when counting his victims. He is a half-breed, and weighs about 135 pounds.

MRS. L. RANDOLPH has secured many victims with her bogus checks drawn against a supposed account with the Dime Savings Bank, Woodward Avenue Branch, Detroit, Mich. So far she has refrained from operating against any of our members. She is described as 30 to 32 years, 5 feet 11 inches, 150

pounds; has a light complexion, light eyes, and light brown hair.

W. F. RYAN, alias C. B. Randolph. A party using this name has secured possession of a book of checks, drawn on the Germania Savings Bank, Pittsburgh, Pa., and is flooding the small merchants with them. No description of the operator has been obtained.

MIKE SAS, alias Mische Sas. Some individual assuming the above mentioned names endeavored to swindle a Detroit, Mich., member bank by means of a forged withdrawal slip. The attempt was a failure as the bank exercised due care, making it necessary for the operator to talk himself out of a very complicated position.



CAPTAIN J. C. SAVAGE

CAPTAIN J. C. SAVAGE. In the February, 1918 JOURNAL Supplement we published an article relative to the operations of Savage. Since the writing of that article we have come into receipt of information to the effect that he has been sentenced to serve one year in the Arkansas State Penitentiary at Little Rock.

IMPOSTER SECURES MANY VICTIMS

J. SETTLE. Citizens in the southern part of Arizona, near Safford, have suffered a loss through the operations of a swindler who claims to represent the Western Buyers Association, Omaha, Neb. His method is to take orders for various shipments of goods, and wherever possible, he will secure payment for the entire bill or part. In his transactions, a Bowie, Ariz., member honored one of his bogus checks, thereby suffering a loss.

H. G. SMITH is wanted in Kansas City, Mo., as a result of having passed several worthless checks on individuals of that city. Smith is said to be a first class automobile salesman, and may seek employment in that line. He is 25 years of age, 5 feet 7 inches, 130 pounds; of light complexion; has blue eyes, and light hair.

ROSCOE STEPHENSON. Chief of Police Allison, Rocky Ford, Col., holds a state warrant for the arrest of Stephenson, charging him with forgery. This individual forged the signature of a customer of a local member. He is described as 20 years of age, dark complexion, black hair.

H. J. STIFEL. A member bank at El Paso, Texas, has suffered a loss by accepting checks bearing the forged signature of one of their depositors. The checks were made payable to H. J. Stifel. No description of the operator is available at this time.

H. J. Stifel

FRANK M. THORNE, alias Maxwell Levy, is issuing forged checks on the First National Bank and the Merchants Bank, Port Townsend, Wash. He is operating solely against merchants and hotel proprietors.

LOUIS WERNER, alias Chas. Singleton, was arrested in New Orleans, La., by city detectives on suspicion whereupon he confessed to having held up a member bank in Des Moines, Iowa, and secured about \$800 in cash from the cashier at the point of a gun. He also stated that he had intended to rob the branch office of a New Orleans, La., member bank, but his arrest prevented him from carry out his intentions. In his confession Werner admitted that he murdered a city patrolman at New Orleans, and that he had committed numerous robberies and hold-ups in Des Moines, Iowa, East St. Louis, Ill., and New Orleans, La. In his recent crimes he was assisted by a pal, Walter Fassende. As Charles Singleton, Werner enlisted in the army and deserted at Fort Dodge, Iowa, several months ago.



E. E. WEST

INFORMATION WANTED

E. E. WEST. We have been requested to reproduce the photograph of this individual in the hopes that some member or interested reader might recognize same as that of a resident of their city. If such should be the case kindly notify the nearest office of our detective agents and they will take the necessary action. An article relative to this man was published in the March issue of the JOURNAL Supplement, page 137, wherein a detailed account of his transactions appears. He is described as follows: 35 years, 5 feet 10 inches, 175 pounds; of medium stocky build and medium complexion; has slate gray eyes and brown hair, wears nose glasses.

J. A. WILLIAMS, alias M. H. Powers. The National City Bank, Memphis, Tenn., is returning checks on their bank which they have been receiving from different points of the state, which are bogus. These checks are usually payable to Williams or Powers. They are in small amounts and in each instance some merchant has been the victim. The operator is described as 25 years, 5 feet 8 or 9 inches, 135 pounds; of good appearance.

CHARLES WILLISON, alias W. D. Harlan. This individual is operating with bogus checks drawn on the Third National Bank, St. Louis, Mo., purporting to have been issued by the Jewel Tea Company. He has also used the firm name of the Missouri Coffee and Tea Company. He is described as 35 years, 5 feet 8 inches, sallow complexion, light brown hair; is nervous and very active; has the appearance of a salesman.

H. M. WOOLRIDGE is using the old scheme of opening accounts in various banks with cash and bogus checks. Then,

after securing a check book, he floods the merchants with his worthless checks. He is now using the paper of the First Commercial and Savings Bank, Wyandotte, Mich. His description is 37 to 38 years of age, 5 feet 9 inches, 160 pounds.

J. D. WILSON, alias L. A. Davis. The operator presenting checks bearing these signatures as the maker is a woman. She has found numerous victims in the vicinity of Ellwood City, Pa. Her checks are drawn on the First National Bank, Zelieph, Pa., also John Berg and Company, Bankers, Butler, Pa. Her description is 160 pounds, 5 feet 10 inches; has dark hair and a light complexion.

L. A. Davis
J. D. Wilson

LOST LIBERTY LOAN BONDS

We have been requested by Wells Fargo & Company, New York city, to announce the loss of the following securities:

- 10 \$1,000 Liberty Loan coupon 3½ per cent. bonds, Nos. 223003 to 223012, incl.
- 4 \$500 Liberty Loan coupon 4 per cent. conversion bonds, Nos. 99192 to 99195, incl.
- 2 \$100 Liberty Loan coupon 4 per cent. conversion bonds, Nos. 586570 and 586571.

Should any member receive information relative to these bonds they should immediately communicate with any Wells Fargo & Company official or agent, or directly with the treasurer, Wells Fargo & Company, 51 Broadway, New York, N. Y. A suitable reward will be paid by Wells Fargo & Company for the return of all or any of these bonds.

TREASURY CERTIFICATES LOST

We have just been advised by the First National Bank, Wilmette, Ill., that they have sustained a loss of three \$1,000 Treasury Certificates of Indebtedness, issue dated Jan. 22, 1918, Nos. 8959, 8960 and 8961. These certificates were either lost, stolen or destroyed.

In case said certificates should be presented at your bank, or any information be received concerning same, the information should either be promptly reported to this bank or the nearest office of The Wm. J. Burns International Detective Agency, Inc.

ARRESTED

RAISED CHECK ARTIST APPREHENDED

Accomplice of H. Greenberg arrested by detective agents in Bridgeport

HARRY WANETICK, the accomplice and tool of H. Greenberg, alias Harry Brown is awaiting trial at Cleveland, Ohio. Following his arrest at Bridgeport, Conn., by the city

authorities and a local representative of our detective agents, Wanetick disclaimed all knowledge of the many transactions credited against him and his co-worker, Greenberg. He made every preparation to fight against being extradited to Ohio, where he was wanted on one specific charge of defrauding a Cleveland member by means of a raised check. His plans went for naught, as our local agents immediately took steps to offset any defense he might put forth, they well knowing that he was guilty as charged. Their move was fruitful as will be seen. During their preliminary investigations they uncovered an informant who had witnessed the entire transaction at Cleveland. In fact, this informant had been approached and offered a part of any of the proceeds derived from their fraudulent operations, but declined the offer. On the day that Wanetick appeared for a hearing a representative from the New York office of our agents proceeded to Bridgeport accompanied by the informant. Through the courtesy of the local police our representative was permitted to talk with and question the prisoner. Again he claimed his innocence and refused to talk. The master stroke followed. He was confronted with his friend, and upon seeing him immediately confessed and waived extradition. By this move considerable expense and time was saved and the police officer was enabled to leave for Cleveland with his prisoner on the next train, where Wanetick will have to stand trial.



ROY TYLER

THE GARFIELD SAVINGS HOLDUP

This bold robbery has finally been cleared up

The police of Cleveland deserve considerable praise for their efficient handling of the investigation which followed the bold holdup of the Gordon Park branch of the Garfield Savings Bank, Cleveland, Ohio. On December 21, 1917, shortly before 1 o'clock, five or six men entered the premises of the bank and held up the officials with eight of their customers. The men entered the different cages, gathered all the money in sight, placed it in a large bag and left the bank, making their escape in a waiting automobile.

A few hours following the crime, the abandoned car used by the criminal was located and the chauffeur, FRANK STEWART, a negro, placed under arrest.

From this time on the police worked on every lead that opened, and we venture to say that practically every large city in the country was warned and in each instance they arrested suspects, until finally the real bandits were located and brought to trial.

On January 14, HARRY JOSEPH, alias Harry Miller, and his brother, LAZARUS JOSEPH, were arrested by the local authorities charged with being implicated in the holdup. Along with them were arrested Hyman Joseph, their father, also Jacob Joseph, Grace McNelly and Helen Ward. These last four were charged with receiving stolen property.

Following the arrest of the Joseph brothers, they confessed, thereby supplying the police with the first authentic story of the robbery and the identity of the bandits.

The next arrest to occur was on January 30, when HARRY CONLEY, the confessed leader of the band, was apprehended through information furnished to the Buffalo police by one of their informants. Conley was arrested just as he was preparing to leave the city. His photo was identified and he was returned to Cleveland, where he confessed to his share in the crime.

The arrest of MICHAEL J. SMITH, alias Matt Pawnstand, alias Mike Sotag, took place in Pittsburgh. He was arrested on a petty charge in connection with a fire in a local rooming house. Following his sentence of six months to the workhouse he surprised his captors with a confession, acknowledging his share in the Cleveland holdup. Upon learning the true character of their prisoner he was immediately turned over to the Ohio authorities.

With the arrest of Smith all those concerned in the robbery were accounted for with the exception of Roy Tyler, alias Robert Phillips. He has been traced to the Pacific Coast and the California representatives of our detective agents are now actively engaged in tracing his movements.

The Cleveland court made short work of the robbers. They had early trials and have all been sentenced. A record of their sentence may be found in the "Removal" column.



ROBERT E. ST. CLAIR

ESCAPED CONVICT APPREHENDED

Forger's arrest aids in clearing up several mysteries

The Los Angeles police made an important arrest when they apprehended ROBERT E. ST. CLAIR on a charge of attempting to steal a bicycle. Later events, however, proved St. Clair to be an escaped convict and a man badly wanted by the local authorities on several forgery and bogus check charges.

The Los Angeles representative of our detective agents, upon being advised of the arrest, interviewed him and were startled when the prisoner confessed to having defrauded a

local member of the association by means of a bogus check and also showed knowledge of one or two other transactions of a similar nature upon which they have been engaged.

We will not go into detail in this article relative to the operator's exploits, but will say that the arrest developed into a very important affair and from it many interesting disclosures have been gleaned. St. Clair worked under the following aliases, R. H. Lindsay, alias John Norton, alias Ed. Collins, etc. He is described as 27 years, 5 feet 3¼ inches, 118 pounds; of sallow complexion; has hazel eyes and light brown hair. The California Bankers Association co-operated in financing the investigations in which this operator was involved.

SARKIS AZARIAN. The details relative to this individual's operations are contained in an article published in the January, 1918, JOURNAL Supplement; it will be remembered that he secured funds from a member bank of Lawrence, Mass., on a Liberty bond card which he had stolen. He also endeavored to secure money from another Lawrence member bank on a stolen pass book. An Armenian residing in Lawrence, Mass., chanced to meet the operator on the street in that city and induced him to accompany him to police headquarters, where the operator was placed under arrest, charged with an attempt to defraud.

R. W. CAMPBELL. The first of February a Greensburg, S. C., member reported to our special representative at Atlanta, Ga., that they had been victimized on account of having cashed a check bearing the forged indorsement of a local citizen. An investigator was immediately detailed upon the case, and after the circumstances were gone into, one R. W. Campbell, who was formerly employed by the man whose name was forged, was suspected. On February 2 the investigator proceeded to Campbell's home, and from his actions when he was questioned it was apparent that he was the guilty man. A warrant was issued for Campbell on February 4, and on that date he was placed under arrest, whereupon he made a partial confession.

MRS. F. J. CUNNINGHAM at one time was the proprietress of a small café in Miami, Fla. Evidently business was very poor, for this woman successfully operated against a local member by means of a bogus check drawn on the First National Bank of Washington, D. C. The bank fell an easy victim to Mrs. Cunningham's operation as they were aware she was in business at that point. A representative of our special representative from Atlanta took up the investigation and located the woman in Jacksonville, where she was placed under arrest with the aid of the local police.

LLOYD V. CUNNINGHAM, alias Walter K. Cardwell (true name Warren B. C. McConnell), is under arrest at New Orleans, La. Cunningham is another one of the individuals who has furthered his fraudulent operations by donning the uniform of a U. S. Army officer. After deserting from his command at Fort Worth, Texas, he proceeded to Dallas, where, by the aid of his uniform, he was successful in securing funds on a worthless check from a local member. Representatives of our detective agents took up the investigation at Dallas, tracing Cunningham to New Orleans. Then representatives at that point were notified and with the aid of an agent of the Department of Justice they located the operator, effecting his arrest. For some unknown reason he was released on a small cash bail, which he immediately forfeited, but fortunately was

recaptured shortly afterwards. He has confessed to several check operations, but will be tried on the desertion charge. He is described as 25 years, 5 feet 9 inches, 160 pounds; stout build, brown hair; has light complexion and a brown mustache; dressed in a second lieutenant's uniform.

R. W. EMERSON, relative to whom an article was published in the February JOURNAL Supplement, was located in San Francisco, Cal., by our detective agents at that point, and arrested on January 17, 1918. He was returned to Oakland, Cal., for trial, and given a hearing on February 6, being held under bond to appear before the Superior Court.

The California Bankers Association is prorating the expense of this investigation with this Association.

O. C. FRANCIS, alias O. S. Jones, is under arrest at Tulsa, Okla., charged with attempting to defraud a local member by means of a check bearing the forged signature of a newspaper man. The paying teller became suspicious, and upon making an inquiry learned that the depositor had not issued the check. The police were called in, and Francis, alias Jones, was placed under arrest.

HARRY FREY. Using the names of J. Anderson and A. Johnson, an operator whose true name is Harry Frey, succeeded in defrauding a Des Moines, Iowa, member bank on several checks bearing the forged signature of a pie baking firm of Des Moines. Our Des Moines detective representative made an investigation, the same being financed by the Iowa Bankers Association and this Association, and it was ascertained that one Harry Frey, in the employ of the pie baking firm, had experienced a little difficulty on a previous occasion with a check issued by that firm. The forced checks were all cashed by merchants of Des Moines, but a member bank paid on them before the forgeries were discovered. Descriptions and handwriting were checked up, and our detective representative believed he would have the right man when the arrest of Frey was effected. To make positive identification he had some of the merchants who had cashed the checks view the suspect; they stated that he was the one they had cashed the checks for. Harry Frey was then placed under arrest. Later he admitted that he had cashed some of the checks, but denied all knowledge of the others. The case will shortly be placed before the grand jury.

THOMAS G. GAYLORD defrauded a Cincinnati, Ohio, member bank and a brokerage firm of that city by securing loans on stock certificates, which he had raised from one share to ninety-one shares. Prior to January 31, 1918, Gaylord was arrested by the local authorities of Cincinnati on the charge of having defrauded a brokerage firm in a similar manner. On this charge he was released on bond and disappeared. On February 11, while an investigator of the Cleveland office of our detective agents was working on this case, Gaylord was again arrested in Cincinnati by the local authorities. He was bound over to the grand jury, under heavy bond, and is now awaiting trial.

J. C. GORDON, alias Edward J. Muzan, alias Edward J. Mugan, who recently defrauded a member bank at Tulsa, Okla., by means of a forged check, was located in that city on February 17, 1918, by the Oklahoma City representative of our detective agents, and placed under arrest.

MARY GRIGSBY, a young negress, while employed as a servant by a family in Des Moines, Iowa, during the months of October and November, 1917, secured funds on several checks in small amounts, to which she had forged the signature of her mistress. The member bank of Des Moines, on which the

checks were drawn, did not discover the forgeries, and consequently stands to lose on these transactions. During November Mary Grigsby disappeared from Des Moines. She was traced to Galesburg, Ill., where our Chicago detective agents made an investigation. It was learned that she had gone from Galesburg to Kewanee, Ill. Our detective agents then telephoned the chief of police at Kewanee, giving him what information they had, which resulted in the arrest of the operator. When the representative of our Chicago detective agents arrived at Kewanee, the girl under arrest at first denied her identity, but after a long cross-examination she made a complete confession. Since then she has been returned to Des Moines, where she is now awaiting trial.

The Iowa Bankers Association is prorating the cost of this investigation with this Association.



C. W. HEWSON

C. W. HEWSON (true name Phillip F. Hallan) entered the banking rooms of an Evansville, Ind., member bank on January 28, 1918, and made a small deposit consisting of very little cash and two checks. Shortly after receiving his bank book he went to a different teller and succeeded in withdrawing nearly the total amount to his credit. The two checks deposited were returned marked "No Account," and consequently the bank stands to lose on the transaction. The local police identified Hewson as one Phillip F. Hallan, who had a previous record at Evansville, and believing that Hallan could be located at a certain address in Stamford, Conn., they wired the authorities at that point to arrest and hold him for them. Phillip F. Hallan was arrested at Stamford, Conn., and has been returned to Evansville, Ind., to answer to a charge of forgery.

LEMON HOSTER, representing himself to be a constable from Lebanon, Pa., had a check cashed at a Pine Grove, Pa., member bank. Later the check came back with the statement that the man who signed the same never had an account in the bank on which it was drawn. The operator also passed several forged checks in the vicinity of Reading, Pa. The early part of February the arrest of Lemon Hoster was effected, and he was returned to Reading, Pa., for trial.

E. I. IFILL. In the JOURNAL Supplement for the month of December, 1916, there appears an article relative to the fraudulent transactions of this man. An investigation was made at that time, the operator was traced to San Diego, but could not be located. On January 30, 1918, while at San Diego, Cal., a Los Angeles representative of our detective agents had his attention called to a man conducting a tailoring establishment under the name of Hill, who had passed a worthless check signing his name E. I. Ifill. The Burns representative remembered that in 1916 one E. I. Ifill had victimized a Los Angeles, Cal., member by forging his wife's name to several checks. The records of the San Diego police department were searched, a circular reproducing a photograph

of the man wanted at Los Angeles was found. The man going under the name of Hill was interviewed, he admitted that his name was E. I. Ifill and that he had passed checks in Los Angeles to which he had signed the name of his wife. He was then placed under arrest. Later he was returned to Los Angeles for trial.

The California Bankers Association is prorating the cost of this investigation with this Association.

W. T. JOYNER. In the January and February, 1918, issues of the JOURNAL Supplement we published articles concerning the operations of this individual, of his arrest by our detective agents, and his subsequent escape from the authorities of North Carolina. On March 3 he was again apprehended in the last mentioned state by the local authorities. This time the interested parties were successful in returning Joyner to Eldora, Iowa, where he is now awaiting trial.

ERNEST LADFORD, alias T. L. Satterfield, has defrauded an El Paso, Texas, member by means of a fraudulent telegram. Using the knowledge gained while rooming with a man by the name of Satterfield, which name he assumed, Ledford made a telegraphic request upon the El Paso member for funds, signing his friend's name to the message. Upon discovering that they had been victimized the special representative of our detective agents stationed there was assigned to the matter. He learned the true identity of the operator and traced him to a point in Kentucky. With this information in hand, our special representative for Georgia took up the quest and finally on February 28 Ledford was located at Manchester, Ky. He was placed under arrest by the local sheriff with our aid. Ledford confessed and will be held for the El Paso police. The operator's description is 25 years, 5 feet 11 inches, 155 pounds; has fair complexion, brown eyes, black hair; index finger on right hand missing between first and second joints.

REV. ALEXANDER MULLEN, in regard to whom we published a rather lengthy article in the February JOURNAL Supplement, was arrested about the middle of February at Marietta, Ga., by the sheriff at that point. When an investigator working under our Atlanta special representative was in Marietta on this case during January he gave full information to the sheriff, requesting that Mullen be arrested on sight. When Mullen appeared in Marietta and attempted to swindle a local resident, the sheriff immediately got on the job and effected the arrest. Frederick A. Mullen is now being held awaiting trial at Marietta. Detainer warrants should be lodged with the sheriff of Cobb County, Marietta, Ga.

LEE RAYMOND. While engaged as a guard for a private detective agency of Philadelphia, Raymond stole several of his employer's pay checks, forging the signature of an official to them. His next step was to present them at a local member bank, where they were readily paid on the forged signatures. Raymond left the vicinity and was not heard of again until March 7, 1918, when he was placed under arrest at New Orleans, La., by a local representative of our detective agents and the police. He waived extradition and has been returned to Philadelphia for trial. Raymond's description is 32 to 35 years, 210 pounds, heavy build, dark hair, double chin, heavy beard, full fat face and a large stomach.

HENRY I. RUBENSTEIN. An article relative to this operator was published in the February, 1918, JOURNAL Supplement, and it will be remembered that he defrauded a St. Louis member bank, as well as several individuals in St. Louis by securing funds on his worthless checks. On February 26,

1918, he was arrested at Chillicothe, Ohio, and held for the military authorities.

MILDRED SEARLE, alias Mrs. Nellie Mack, Nellie Jennings, etc. On November 12, 1917, a Denver, Colo., member bank reported to the Denver representatives of our detective agents that they had suffered a loss by paying on a check in a small amount which bore the forged signature of a depositor. An investigation was made and one Mildred Searle was suspected. Later she was identified, and on February 1, 1918, our detective agents, co-operating with the local police, effected her arrest. She confessed to having passed the check in question, also to having secured funds on several other checks bearing the forged signatures of other Denver residents.

A. H. SEVIER, alias Harry Stewart. A member bank at Wichita, Kans., discovered on January 15, 1918, that they had been defrauded by means of a note in a rather large amount to which the indorsement of a responsible resident had been forged. The following day the matter was reported to our detective agents' Kansas City representatives. On January 17, while an investigation by our detective agents was in progress, Sevier surrendered himself to the police authorities at Wichita.

O. A. SEXTON and STANLEY SEXTON. On February 25, 1918, a Tulsa, Okla., member bank reported to a representative of our Kansas City detective agents that they had been victimized in a small amount by means of a forged check. An investigation was immediately started, and it developed that approximately ten bogus checks in the same handwriting had been passed on various merchants of Tulsa. A man by the name of O. A. Sexton was suspected on account of similarity in handwriting and incriminating circumstances. On February 26, O. A. Sexton was arrested by the Tulsa police, co-operating with the representative of our detective agents, and booked for investigation. Shortly before Stanley Sexton, a brother of O. A. Sexton, had also been arrested. Warrants were then sworn out, charging O. A. Sexton with forgery and passing worthless checks. A charge of uttering a bogus check was filed against Stanley Sexton. The operators will be given a hearing during the month of March.

P. STEIN rushed into a Los Angeles, Cal., member bank on January 10, 1918, without a hat and with a carpenter's "T" square under his arm, claimed to be working for a "merchant down the street," he presented a bogus check in a small amount asking that it be cashed. Stein was successful in his "rush act," and secured the funds. Another Los Angeles member bank was defrauded by this operator, in the same way, on the same day. On the following day he again entered one of the banks he had defrauded, but was apprehended by the bank police. Stein was on January 15 bound over to the superior court under bond. He is described as 42 years of age, 5 feet 7 inches, 155 pounds; has brown hair, gray at the sides.

The California Bankers Association is prorating the expense of this investigation with this Association.

D. A. STEWART. Representatives from the Dallas office of our detective agents have located and effected the arrest of Stewart, with the aid of the Wichita Falls, Texas, sheriff. This individual defrauded a Burkburnett, Texas, member by means of a mortgage swindle. He is described as 40 years, 5 feet 8 or 9 inches, 140 to 150 pounds; has fair complexion, blue eyes, gray hair, heavy gray beard; has a cancer on side of his face.

CHARLES E. STRONG. On September 25, 1914, a member bank of Silver Springs, N. Y., reported to our Buffalo de-

tective agents that they had suffered a loss by cashing a worthless check for one Charles E. Strong, who came into the bank accompanied by a director. A representative of the Buffalo office of our detective agents made an investigation, and it was ascertained that Strong had been committed to the Binghamton State Hospital, Binghamton, N. Y. That information was supplied to the proper authorities. Later the sheriff of Silver Springs proceeded to Binghamton and placed the operator under arrest. Charles E. Strong's description is: 56 years, 5 feet 11 inches or 6 feet, 190 pounds, fair complexion, brown eyes, dark brown hair, turning gray.

JOHN J. SULLIVAN, relative to whom an article was published in the December, 1917, JOURNAL Supplement, was arrested on January 14, 1918, in Boston, Mass., by the local police, on a charge of having passed a worthless check at a Boston hotel. This information was communicated to the authorities at Cambridge, Mass., by our detective agents. A detainer warrant will be lodged with the Boston police.

JAMES B. STOWE. In the May, July and December, 1917, JOURNAL Supplements we published articles relative to the operations of a short change artist who has victimized banks in different parts of the United States. On January 30, 1918, a man who later gave his name as James B. Stowe, and an accomplice entered an Ogden, Utah, member bank and attempted a short change deal. The cashier, remembering a circular sent out by our Salt Lake City detective representative, immediately became suspicious. He notified the local police department, and shortly afterwards Stowe was arrested in the Western Union office, his partner having effected his escape in the meanwhile. The Federal authorities claimed Stowe for defrauding the post-office at Reno, Nev., on January 29. Our detective agents immediately endeavored to have detainer warrants lodged with the chief of police at Ogden, Utah, but the chance for a conviction was very uncertain and not much headway was made. On January 31 Stowe was released, the Federal authorities having come to the conclusion that it was not Stowe but his partner who had operated against the post-office at Reno. He is described as 30 years of age, 5 feet 6 or 7 inches, 130 pounds, of medium complexion; has light brown eyes and light brown hair.



J. B. TAYLOR

J. B. TAYLOR, alias Eugene Strikroth. A resident of Los Angeles, Cal., was jostled in a crowd and shortly afterward discovered that his wallet was missing. Among the things which his wallet contained was his bank book. He immediately notified the bank of his loss. A few days later a young man appeared at the bank with the pass book and a counter check in a small amount, which he presented to be cashed. Our Los Angeles detective agents were notified and an investigator immediately proceeded to the bank. Upon being questioned the presenter of the check claimed he did not write it, stating it had been given to him by someone in a

saloon. A comparison of his writing and the writing on the check was made, and a great similarity was noted. J. B. Taylor, alias Eugene Strikroth, the presenter of the check, was held under bond to appear before the superior court.

The California Bankers Association is prorating the expense of this investigation with this Association.

REMOVED

HUGO ALDERMAN, one of the men who held up the Bank of Homestead, Homestead, Fla., was sentenced on October 3, 1917, to life imprisonment in the Florida State Penitentiary.

CLARENCE ANDERSON was, on November 29, 1917, sentenced to serve from 3 to 5 years in the Colorado State Penitentiary.

SARKIS AZARIAN was found guilty on the charge of attempting to defraud a Lawrence, Mass., member bank, and was given a sentence of six months.

W. W. CHARLES. We have been advised by the interested bank that this operator has secured his release at Miami, Fla., and are, therefore, removing his name from the "Awaiting Trial List."

HYMAN H. CHRISTMAS was on January 11, 1918, sentenced by general court martial, at Camp Sevier, Greenville, S. C., to be dishonorably discharged from the service, to forfeit all pay and allowances due or to become due and to be confined at hard labor at such place as the reviewing authority may direct for five years. On January 24 Christmas was sent to the Federal Penitentiary at Atlanta, Ga.

ROSCOE E. CLOUGH, alias John Avery, who was arrested the early part of February, 1918, at Louisville, Ky., has been returned to Denver, Colo. On February 20 he pleaded guilty to having passed the forged check in question, and on February 26, he was sentenced to serve an indeterminate term in the Colorado State Reformatory.

HARRY CONLEY, confessed leader of a band of bank robbers, was on February 21 sentenced to an indeterminate term in the Ohio State Reformatory.

EARL DAVIS was sentenced on February 18, 1918, to serve an indeterminate term in the Ohio State Reformatory, which means he will not be released in less than fifteen months.

A. L. DAWSON. On March 5, 1918, Dawson entered a plea of guilty as charged and was given a sentence of two years in the Mississippi State Penitentiary. However, he will only have to serve six months, as he will be on probation the other eighteen.

E. L. DIX. Following this operator's arrest in Omaha, Neb., on January 18, 1918, he was turned over to the Iowa authorities. The last part of February he was tried at Glenwood, Iowa, on the charge of a Pacific Junction, Iowa, member for forgery and sentenced to seven years in the Iowa State Penitentiary.

R. W. EMERSON. On February 26, 1918, this individual pleaded guilty to having passed a bogus check on an Oakland, Cal., bank, and was sentenced to five years on probation by the Superior Court at Oakland.

JACK FERRIS was sentenced on October 20, 1917, to two years on probation.

ROBERT GORE. The case against this operator at Madison, W. Va., will be dropped, due to insufficient evidence to

convict; therefore, we are removing his name from the awaiting trial list.

CLYDE HAMMER, whose name has been carried on the "Awaiting Trial List" for some time, has been released, the district attorney's office having withdrawn the complaint. Following this action Clyde Hammer enlisted in the army.

C. W. HEWSON (true name Phillip F. Hallan) confessed to having defrauded an Evansville, Ind., member bank, and was sentenced to from two to fourteen years in the Indiana State Penitentiary.

LEMON HOSTER pleaded guilty on February 23, 1918, to four charges of forgery in the Court of Oyer, Reading, Pa., and was given a sentence of from three and one-half to five years at hard labor in the Eastern State Penitentiary at Philadelphia, Pa.

E. I. IFILL. Inasmuch as the county authorities were unable to locate the principal witness in the case, Ifill was released on account of insufficient evidence.

W. A. JOHNSON was sentenced to the Buena Vista Reformatory, Buena Vista, Colo., on November 14, 1917, to serve an indeterminate term.

HARRY JOSEPH, alias Harry Miller, another of the young band of Cleveland bank robbers, was on March 11 sentenced to an indeterminate term in the State Penitentiary.

LAZARUS JOSEPH, one of the band of robbers who held up the Garfield Savings Bank of Cleveland, Ohio, was sentenced to an indeterminate term in the Ohio State Reformatory.

GEORGE KLEIN. On January 9, 1918, the case against Grover C. Moore, alias George Klein, at Kansas City, Mo., was dismissed, Moore being released.

A. C. KREPPS, charged with having defrauded a Charleroi, Pa., member, was convicted of forgery on February 5, 1918, in the Washington County Court, and sentenced to six months in jail.

W. LEIGH entered a plea of guilty to the charge of forgery, and on October 19, 1917, was sentenced to six months in the County Prison at Holmesburg, Pa.

PETER J. MILLER, after pleading guilty on a forgery charge, was sentenced at Chicago, Ill., on January 21, 1918, to serve one year in the House of Correction.

SIDNEY MOORE entered a plea of guilty to a charge of forgery, and was granted probation by the judge of the Superior Court of Sonoma County, Cal.

E. C. McCANN. On January 23, 1918, McCann pleaded guilty in the Federal Court at Atlanta, Ga., and was sentenced on six counts to a year and a day in the Atlanta Federal Prison.

PERCY McDANIEL was found guilty on three counts of obtaining money under false pretenses by means of mortgage swindle, and was accordingly sentenced to the Buena Vista Reformatory, Buena Vista, Colo., to serve from 6 months to 4 years.

HENRY I. RUBENSTEIN was tried by the military authorities on a charge of desertion, court martialed and sentenced to two years in the Federal Penitentiary, Fort Leavenworth, Kans.

L. H. SCHULTZ. On February 18, 1918, Schultz was sentenced to serve an indeterminate term in the Ohio Penitentiary, which means he will not be released in less than fifteen months.

MATTHEW SMITH, alias Mike Sotag, one of the Garfield Bank bandits, was on March 2 sentenced to an indeterminate term in the Mansfield Reformatory.

ALFRED SPEARS (negro) was brought to trial on February 26, 1918, at Dallas, Texas, on the charge of having defrauded a member bank in that city. He was convicted and given a sentence of two years in the Texas State Penitentiary.

JAMES B. STOWE was released on January 31, 1918, due to insufficient evidence.

FRANK STEWART, negro, the chauffeur of the Cleveland bank robbers, was on March 11 sentenced to an indeterminate term in the Ohio State Reformatory.

AWAITING ACTION

ALLEGED FORGERIES AND SWINDLES

Bacon, Floyd C., forgery, Conneaut, Ohio.
 Barker, Charles H., forgery, Pontiac, Ill.
 Baughman, A. H., swindle, Tulsa, Okla.
 Bazinet, William, forgery, Lewiston, Me.
 Beasley, Ward B., forgery, Chicago, Ill.
 Benson, Fred, forgery, Elgin, Ill.
 Blackwell, Percy, worthless checks, Beckley, W. Va.
 Bland, W. F., bogus certificate of deposit, Yale, Okla.
 Blankman, David, forgeries, Boston, Mass.
 Boxley, P. H., bogus certificate of deposit, Hugo, Okla.
 Brock, J. A., forgery, Antlers, Okla.
 Buchanan, H. A., forgery, Oklahoma City, Okla.
 Buckley, J. W., forgery, Portland, Ore.
 Bundy, H. C., forgery, San Francisco, Cal.
 Burger, Otto, forgery, Chester, Pa.
 Burton, Jr., John J., forgery, Prescott, Ariz.
 Campbell, George, forgery, Beckley, W. Va.
 Campbell, R. W., forgery, Greensburg, S. C.
 Carter, Dave, forgery, Houston, Texas.
 Chippenfield, Austin B., forgery, Moundsville, W. Va.
 Churchill, Roy, forgery, Amarillo, Texas.
 Cogswell, A. J., forgery, New York, N. Y.
 Cole, W. R., attempt to swindle, Alexandria, La.
 Colley, R. B., bogus checks, Jackson, Miss.
 Collum, Belle, forgery, Yazoo City, Miss.
 Colwell, H. H., forgery, Plainview, Texas.
 Comstock, W. J., forged indorsement, Detroit, Mich.
 Cooper, C. S., worthless checks, Los Angeles, Cal.
 Cooper, H. O., worthless drafts, Indianapolis, Ind.
 Cunningham, F. J., Mrs., forgery, Miami, Fla.
 Cunningham, Lloyd V., bogus checks, New Orleans, La.
 Davis, H. H., bogus checks, Ogden, Utah.
 Du Bois, L. E., forgery, Kansas City, Mo.
 Du Pars, Maurice, bogus checks, Philadelphia, Pa.
 Easterbrook, Gus, forgery, Alexandria, La.
 Edgington, H. B., worthless check, Humboldt, Iowa.
 Evans, H. R., bogus certificate of deposit, Ada, Okla.
 Faith, James, forgery, Corona, N. Mex.
 Faulkner, F. P., forgery, Fresno, Cal.
 Ford, Homer Palmore, raised checks, Portland, Ore.
 Francis, O. C., attempted swindle, Tulsa, Okla.
 Frey, Harry, forgery, Des Moines, Iowa.
 Garnett, Chas. H., bogus certificate of deposit, Ada, Okla.
 Garrett, P. R., mortgage swindle, Duncan, Okla.
 Gaylord, Thomas G., raised stock certificates, Cincinnati, Ohio.
 Goble, V. R., forged notes, Concordia, Mo.
 Goode, W. H., mortgage swindle, Edmond, Okla.
 Gordon, J. C., forgery, Tulsa, Okla.
 Green, Frank F., bogus drafts, Bowling Green, Ky.
 Griffin, M. H., bogus checks, Kansas City, Mo.

- Grigsby, Mary, negress, bogus checks, Des Moines, Iowa.
 Gross, Harry, raised checks, Columbus, Ohio.
 Gunder, P. A., forgery, Waterloo, Iowa.
 Hansen, Robert, forgery, San Francisco, Cal.
 Harrington, J. W., worthless checks, Ocean Springs, Miss.
 Heard, H. C., bogus checks, Bend, Ore.
 High, Dan, forgery, Tulsa, Okla.
 Hightower, A. E., forgery, Tulsa, Okla.
 Hightower, Earnest S., worthless check, Des Moines, Iowa.
 Hinche, Iva Mae, forgery, Tulsa, Okla.
 Hincbe, Marvin, forgery, Tulsa, Okla.
 Hix, J. S., bogus certificate of deposit, Ada, Okla.
 Horrigan, J. S., worthless check, Portland, Ore.
 Howard, Felix, forgery, Houston, Texas.
 Hughes, C. K., worthless checks, Beckley, W. Va.
 Jones, J. Greeley, bogus certificates of deposit, Ada, Okla.
 Joyner, W. T., forgery, Eldora, Iowa.
 Keiser, Capt. J. C., worthless checks, New Orleans, La.
 Kelley, George, worthless check, Little Rock, Ark.
 Kerdell, Lillian, forgery, Jacksonville, Fla.
 Kirby, Clifford, worthless checks, Cincinnati, Ohio.
 Knapp, Lena M., forgery, Adrian, Mich.
 Kocker, Emil, forgery, Jersey City, N. J.
 Larson, E. D., forgery, Bountiful, Utah.
 Laub, Lyle T., bogus checks, Indianapolis, Ind.
 Ledford, Ernest, forged telegram, El Paso, Texas.
 Lifer, F., forgery, Jackson, Miss.
 Locke, H. A., bogus certified check, Savannah, Ga.
 Mack, J. W., bogus certificate of deposit, Hugo, Okla.
 Mathews, De Leon, forgery, Lake City, S. C.
 McBrier, J. F., forged indorsement, Beckley, W. Va.
 McCarthy, Elmore, forgery, Houston, Texas.
 McClair, Herbert L., forgery, Philadelphia, Pa.
 McClanahan, J. A., forged notes, Concordia, Mo.
 McClure, James M., forgery, Brooklyn, Iowa.
 McMillon, T. A., mortgage swindle, Thorndale, Texas.
 Minor, R. A., forgery, Jacksonville, Fla.
 Moore, L. C., forgery, Greeley, Colo.
 Moore, Lester, forgery, Birmingham, Ala.
 Mullen, Alexander, Rev., bogus drafts, Marietta, Ga.
 Nix, Wyatt L., bogus certificate of deposit, Hugo, Okla.
 Noble, Ralph, forgery, Oklahoma City, Okla.
 O'Donnell, Joseph, worthless checks, San Francisco, Cal.
 O'Neil, J. T., forgery, Wallingford, Conn.
 Owens, Miles, worthless checks, Portland, Ore.
 Pavlavitz, Ivan, forgery, Akron, Ohio.
 Persch, Donald, bogus checks, Los Angeles, Cal.
 Peterson, Lawrence, forgery, St. Louis, Mo.
 Pettit, Waittie, mortgage swindle, Chelsea, Okla.
 Quinn, Robert, forgery, Clarksburg, W. Va.
 Raymond, Lee, forgery, Philadelphia, Pa.
 Rembert, Julius, forgery, Houston, Texas.
 Robinette, I. T., Mt. Hope, W. Va.
 Roll, D. M., forgery, Evansville, Ind.
 Rollison, C. A., raised check, Waycross, Ga.
 Roth, Homer F., bogus check, Goshen, Ind.
 Runnells, York, forgery, Houston, Texas.
 Saftred, Meta, forgery, Okmulgee, Okla.
 Sanden, Fred, forgery, Cut Bank, Mont.
 Scott, Walter A., forgery, Pasco, Wash.
 Searle, Mildred, forgery, Denver, Colo.
 Sevier, A. H., forged note, Wichita, Kan.
 Sexton, O. A., bogus checks, Tulsa, Okla.
 Sexton, Stanley, bogus checks, Tulsa, Okla.
 Sheldon, James E., mortgage swindle, Leesburg, Fla.
 Shoe, George B., forgery, Akron, Ohio.
 Simon, David, forgery, Cincinnati, Ohio.
 Smith, Leroy C., forgery, Highland Park, Ill.
 St. Clair, Robert E., forgery, Los Angeles, Cal.
 Stein, P., bogus checks, Los Angeles, Cal.
 Stewart, D. A., mortgage swindle, Burkburnett, Texas.
 Strong, Charles E., worthless checks, Binghamton, N. Y.
 Sullivan, John J., worthless check, Cambridge, Mass.
 Sullivan, Julia, forgery, New York, N. Y.
 Taylor, J. B., attempted swindle, Los Angeles, Cal.
 Tope, J. Leroy, forgery, Joliet, Ill.
 Van Leuven, Bert, worthless check, Salina, Kan.
 Walger, Henry A., forgery, Wallis, Texas.
 Wanetick, Harry, raised checks, Cleveland, Ohio.
 Ward, Erret, forged drafts, Wichita Falls, Texas.
 Warner, Lon, mortgage swindle, Higgins, Texas.
 Waters, Bert, forgery, Olean, N. Y.
 Watkins, Jack, forgery, Houston, Texas.
 Weil, M. L., worthless draft, Elko, Nev.
 Williams, G. H., bogus checks, Lake Providence, La.
 Willis, G. S., bogus check, Brooksville, Fla.
 Willman, John W., forged note, Duluth, Minn.
 Winters, M. E., attempted swindle, Wichita Falls, Texas.
 Wisdom, G. C., bogus certificate of deposit, Cushing, Okla.
 Woods, Mingo, forgery, Houston, Texas.
 Young, Ng, forgery, San Francisco, Cal.

BURGLARS AND HOLD-UP ROBBERS

- Bergens, J. W., robbery and murder, Point, Texas.
 Carden, Julius, hold-up, Heavener, Okla.
 Carden, Julius, hold-up, Glenwood, Ark.
 Carter, Charlie, alleged bank robber, Point, Texas.
 Embry, Jack, hold-up, Glenwood, Ark.
 Fortner, Howard, contemplated robbery, Windsor, Ill.
 Hester, Wm., burglary, DeQueen, Ark.
 Lewis, Carl, hold-up, Huttig, Ark.
 Litrell, Jess, hold-up, Harrah, Okla.
 McKinney, Calvin, robbery, Crowder, Okla.
 Marvin, Harold, robbery, Oronogo, Mo.
 Mitchell, William, hold-up, Taylor, Mo.
 Quattlebaum, Arthur, robbery, El Paso, Ark.
 Quattlebaum, Sid, robbery, El Paso, Ark.
 Rankin, Iola, suspected hold-up, Hugo, Okla.
 Smith, Frank, hold-up, Heavener, Okla.
 Warnix, John, burglary, DeQueen, Ark.
 Warnix, Enoch, burglary, DeQueen, Ark.

STATISTICS OF THE PROTECTIVE DEPARTMENT

| | Awaiting trial August 31, 1917 | Arrested since August 31, 1917 | Arrests in March, 1918 | Total | Convicted | Discharged or acquitted | Fugitive, escaped, insane or died | Awaiting trial |
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| Forgers..... | 108 | 194 | 30 | 224 | 127 | 53 | 11 | 141 |
| Burglars..... | 4 | 3 | | 3 | 4 | | | 3 |
| Hold-up robbers..... | 24 | 12 | 5 | 17 | 19 | 7 | | 15 |
| Sneak thieves..... | | 1 | | 1 | | 1 | | |
| Total..... | 136 | 210 | 35 | 345 | 150 | 61 | 11 | 159 |

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CALIFORNIA, SAN FRANCISCO.—First National Bank Building.
COLORADO, DENVER.—421 Cooper Building.
CONNECTICUT, BRIDGEPORT.—608 Security Building.
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MISSOURI, KANSAS CITY.—Ridge Arcade Building.
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PENNSYLVANIA, PHILADELPHIA.—Widener Building.

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APRIL PROTECTIVE WORK

WARNING

CLEVER CHECK OPERATORS

Band of three Jewish swindlers make initial deposit in cash

We find it necessary to warn our members of the operations of a very clever clique of Jewish bogus check operators. To date they have been very successful, having found victims among our members located in Boston, New York and Scranton, Pa.

Their mode of operation is to open an account with a bank by making the initial deposit with cash, usually in a sum ranging from \$500 to \$1,000. The account is opened in the name of S. Levine & Company or some similar firm name. They then open offices in a middle class office building where they use the pretext of being engaged as jobbers in clothing and novelties. Their next move is to go to New York, where they make several purchases from various jobbers, usually giving their check in payment for goods. These checks of course are honored by your institution and in this step the operators gain the confidence of the merchants.

This is what they have been seeking, as they now have your good will also; they prepare for the final coup. They deposit with you a check payable to their firm drawn on a distant bank, and on the same day at a later hour they are permitted to draw against this uncollect item. In the meanwhile one of their accomplices has been busily engaged in New York purchasing merchandise and giving checks against insufficient funds.

Inasmuch as their mode is very simple we would ask the members in the vicinity of New York, Boston and Philadelphia to examine their new accounts and advise us if they are successful in finding any data that look suspicious. This information will be treated as confidential and may lead to the breaking up of this dangerous band.

Descriptions of two of the members of this band are: S. Levine—28 to 35 years of age, 5 feet 6 inches, 130 to 145 pounds; stocky build, dark complexion, small dark mustache. L. Roman—37 years of age, 5 feet 7 inches, 190 pounds; dark complexion, heavy dark hair.

L. Roman

NOTE SWINDLER OPERATING

Forger and confidence man operating from Florida finds many victims

At this time there is operating in Florida in the vicinity of Lakeland and Orlando, a very clever confidence man. His method is to associate with well-to-do tourists, and after becoming familiar with their business habits, he in some manner

secures possession of the supposed friend's signature. With this data in his possession, he will call on a local bank, representing himself to be your customer and will put through a note calling for \$5,000 to \$10,000. With this note he will attach a memorandum to his bank in which he accounts for the large amount of the note. If your customer is a "farmer" his memorandum will state that "he has become so impressed with the locality that after a thorough investigation, he has finally decided to invest some of his funds at that point and assures the bank that he is entering into the affair with his eyes open and for them not to hold up the funds." This same procedure is followed regardless of the nature of your customer's occupation with a slight rewording of the memorandum.

On three occasions member banks have been attacked and victimized, so clever is the forgery. Should you after examining the accounts of your customers who to your knowledge have been or are now in Florida and find any irregularities, kindly notify this Department at once.

So far the operator has used the name of JOHN SHIELD, alias J. C. Manning.

CHARLES ALWARD has caused a Riverside, Cal., member bank to suffer a loss by talking them into cashing a check drawn on the Home Savings Bank, of Los Angeles, Cal., which check was later returned as worthless. Alward also defrauded a merchant of Riverside on one of his worthless checks. The California Bankers Association is co-operating with this Association in the financing of an investigation. The operator's description is given as follows: 35 years of age, 150 pounds; has a medium round face; is a very smooth talker.

Charles Alward

JOHN R. BAILEY. Several member banks of Akron, Ohio, have become victimized by paying upon checks of the Industrial Commission which bear forged indorsements. These checks were stolen from the Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co. by a former employee. Bailey was employed in the "Safety First" Department of this concern as a stenographer. On December 1, 1916, he was arrested for forcing open a desk drawer and stealing \$800 worth of the Commission checks. In July, 1917, he was released on parole, but was soon rearrested for the violation of same. He is now confined in the Ohio State Reformatory. It is not decided whether any further action will be taken against him.

HARRY BALL has victimized a Detroit member by securing funds from them on a check bearing the forged signature of his employer. He claims to be employed by Kornman Parish Company, a local firm, which is a non-existent firm.

WILFRED M. CLARE. This individual is traveling through the state of Nebraska, and has operated in the vicinity of Omaha and Florence by drawing checks on the Plymouth National Bank, Plymouth, Mass., at which point he does not carry an account. As yet, no description has been furnished of this operator.

VERNON ROBERT CHUMBLEY. We have received information from the South to the effect that this individual is issuing checks purporting to be made by Armour & Company. He represents himself to be a salesman from the Columbus branch of this concern. He is described as young, 120 to 125 pounds, good appearance, claims his home to be Knoxville, Tenn.

V. J. DE FOE opened an account with a Weiser, Idaho, member bank in February by depositing cash. A few days later he checked out the entire amount standing to his credit. On March 14, he succeeded in securing funds on a check drawn on the Weiser bank, from a San Francisco, Cal., member bank; the check was later returned as worthless, for De Foe's account had been closed. Our detective agents at San Francisco will start an investigation, the costs of which will be prorated between the California Bankers Association and this Association. V. J. De Foe is 28 to 30 years of age, 6 feet, 175 pounds; of medium build; has dark complexion, dark eyes and dark hair.

GEORGE P. HAYES. This individual claims to represent the Standard Hardwood Lumber Company of Buffalo, N. Y. He operates by calling upon prominent lumber firms where he places orders for several cars of lumber, subject to the approval of his firm. His checks are drawn on the Manufacturers and Traders National Bank, Buffalo, N. Y., and purport to be issued by the Standard Hardwood Lumber Company, countersigned by A. W. Kremheder. The firm name is printed on the check. Hayes' description is 33 years of age, 133 to 140 pounds, wears tortoise shell eye glasses, is a very convincing talker, and has a pleasing manner.

C. B. HUDSON. A Burkburnett, Tex., member bank has suffered a loss as a result of paying on a check in a small amount to which the signature of one of their customers had been forged. The check in question was cashed by the Wichita State Bank, Wichita Falls, Tex.; the forgery was not discovered until the customer's account was balanced. Our Dallas detective agents are making an investigation.

C. B. Hudson

R. L. HUNT. A Little Rock, Ark., member bank has been defrauded on six checks, all made out on the same day, payable to R. L. Hunt, and bearing the forged signature of Wm. D. Lawler, their depositor. These checks were cashed by six different restaurant keepers, who in turn deposited them in their respective banks; they were paid when they finally reached the bank on which they were drawn. The forgeries were not discovered until the depositor's account was balanced. Our detective agent's representative at Memphis, Tenn., is investigating this matter. R. L. Hunt is 34 years of age, 5 feet 6 inches, 150 pounds; of slender build; has blue eyes and brown hair.

R. C. GUSTIN has victimized a Kansas City, Mo., member bank on a check signed R. C. Gustin, purporting to have been issued by the Wichita Office Supply Company, on the

Fourth National Bank, Wichita, Kan., which check was later returned as worthless. Our Kansas City detective agents are making an investigation. The operator is described as 27 or 28 years of age, 5 feet 9 inches, 135 to 140 pounds; of slender build; has very light complexion, light eyes and very light hair.

H. B. JACKSON has victimized two Ada, Okla., banks, one a member and the other a non-member. Jackson appeared at the member bank on March 28, 1918, and presented a check drawn on the First National Bank, Paris, Tex. He was advised by the cashier that he would have to be identified by some local party before his check could be cashed. Jackson then left the bank, but later returned with another check drawn on that bank, purporting to have been signed by a depositor. The operator stated he had found a friend who had cashed his check, and given one of his own drawn on the Ada bank. The teller, believing the signature of the depositor to be genuine, cashed the check. It was learned, following the discovery of the forgery, that the office of the depositor has been a general loafing place for the boys in the vicinity, and that while the owners were at lunch, Jackson entered and stole several cancelled vouchers, which he used as samples when forging the check in question. The represent-

H. B. Jackson

ative of our detective agents located at Oklahoma City is making an investigation. H. B. Jackson is 27 years of age, 5 feet 11 inches, 170 pounds; of medium stout build; has blue eyes, and dark chestnut hair; is a smooth talker; makes gestures with left hand when talking.

D. C. LOOMIS has caused a Daytona, Fla., member bank to suffer a loss on a bogus draft drawn on the First National Bank of DuBois, Pa. He has also issued checks drawn on the Manufacturers and Traders National Bank, Buffalo, N. Y. He operated in Daytona as what might be called an automobile

D. C. Loomis

jockey, buying and selling second-hand cars. Loomis is described as 32 years of age, 5 feet 8 inches, 138 pounds; he may wear a dark brown mustache.

FRED R. McDOLTON, alias Fred Dolton, is wanted by a member bank of Patoka, Ill., for securing money on worthless checks. A warrant is in the hands of the sheriff of Marion County, Salem, Ill. In July, 1917, McDolton started a bakery business in Patoka. Later he brought his father-in-law to that city to take charge of that store, and opened another at Ramsey, Ill., he remaining in Ramsey. McDolton carried an account at a Patoka bank; checks against this account were drawn by him at Ramsey and by his father-in-law at Patoka. On about March 18, 1918, McDolton disappeared, and the bank discovered that he had defrauded them out of a considerable sum of money, as five checks which he had deposited, drawn on the Peoples State Bank of Ramsey, were returned on account of no funds. Our detective agents are making an investigation, and any information relative to this operator should be immediately communicated to their nearest office. Fred McDolton, alias Fred Dolton's description is 40 years of age, 5 feet 11 inches, about 150 pounds;

has light hair streaked with gray, partly bald; four upper teeth crowned, two porcelain, two gold; light scar on nose.

Fred A McLeod

CHARLOTTE McKAY has succeeded in defrauding a member bank at Owatonna, Minn., by means of a forged check. Our detective agents at Minneapolis are investigating this case. The operator is about 20 years of age, 5 feet 4 inches, 135 pounds; of rather plump build; has medium complexion, dark eyes and dark hair.

JAS. McLEOD. An individual representing himself to be Jas. McLeod has caused a Great Falls, Mont., member bank to suffer a loss. On March 30, 1918, he succeeded in obtaining funds on five government checks, drawn on the United States Treasury, to which he had forged the indorsements of the payee. The operator is described as 40 years of age, 5 feet 8 or 9 inches, 170 to 180 pounds; has a reddish complexion.

C. M. MALLORY defrauded a Des Moines, Ia., member bank during March of this year by means of a bogus check; it was learned later that he had defrauded a Sykeston, N. D., member during February. Mallory is a deserter from the United States Army, and is operating with checks drawn on the Des Moines National Bank, Des Moines, Ia., in which institution he has no account. An investigation is being made by our detective agents, the expenses of which will be prorated between the Iowa Bankers Association and this Association. C. M. Mallory is 28 years of age, 5 feet 5 inches, 155 pounds; has fair complexion, blue eyes and brown hair cut rather close and pompadoured.

CAPT. R. L. MARTIN. Wearing an army uniform Martin entered a Fort Worth, Texas, member bank and represented himself as an orderly. He handed the cashier a War Department envelope containing a check and a letter. After reading the letter the cashier readily cashed the check, which later was found to be bogus. Martin also attempted to defraud two other Fort Worth banks.

MRS. MATHEWS, alias C. M. Potter, opened an account with a Dayton, Ohio, member bank in February, 1918, and deposited a check signed "Charles King," on a Springfield, Ohio, bank, which check was later returned for the reason that Charles King had no account there. At practically the same time she opened an account with the bank referred to above, she deposited in another Dayton member bank checks drawn by Mrs. Mathews in favor of C. M. Potter. One of the banks paid on Mrs. Mathews' checks before they became aware of the fact that the Springfield check was bogus, therefore they stand to lose on the transaction. No description of the operator is available at this writing.

NEWTON T. MUNDY. A member bank located at Winston-Salem, N. C., has advised this department of the operations of Mundy, who seems to have left the community, leaving nothing but worthless notes behind to cover his many debts. He attempted to defraud the bank by means of notes and mortgages bearing forged indorsements. The bank describes Mundy as 35 years of age, 5 feet 7 inches, 160 pounds, fair complexion, brown hair, smooth shaven, walks with a quick, nervous step, swings his arms freely, wears nose glasses, has some of his front teeth crowned with gold, is a self-righteous sort of a man; there is a bad scar on one of his arms received from an accident in a rolling mill.



NEWTON T. MUNDY

It is thought that he might be found in the vicinity where rolling mills are located. We are reproducing his photograph in the hope that some member may recognize it.

J. H. MYERS, representing himself to be from Bridgeport, Conn., deposited with a Parkersburg, W. Va., member bank on March 16, 1918, a check ostensibly issued by the Buckey Oil Company, drawn on a Bridgeport bank. The check in question was later returned marked "No Account," but before returns had been received the Parkersburg bank paid on a small check issued by Myers. Our detective agents at Pittsburgh will make an investigation. A description of the operator is not available at this time.

JAMES T. POLSON. We have been advised by a member bank of Boston, Mass., that they have suffered a slight loss through paying on a worthless check drawn on the Worcester Bank & Trust Company, Worcester, Mass. At one time Polson carried an account with the Boston member and through an oversight was permitted to overdraw his account. He later appeared at the bank to cover this overdraft and deposited a check drawn on the paper of the above-mentioned bank. Before the returns had been received on this item, Polson was successful in securing an advance. Needless to say the check was worthless.

His description is 32 years of age, 5 feet 9 inches, 160 pounds; light complexion, blond hair.

DONATELLA REDINA, alias Tillie Redina, is wanted in New York City on a charge of having forged her stepfather's name to ten checks drawn on a New York City member bank. Our local detective agents are making an investigation of the matter. No description of the operator is available at this time.

GEORGE SPAULDING, alias W. P. Sterling, is traveling about the mid-eastern states and operating with checks of the Wayne County & Home Savings Bank, Detroit, Mich. These checks purport to be issued by the Burge Machine Works of Chicago, Ill., but are forgeries throughout. So far he has failed to operate against any of our members, but they will do well to be on guard against him. He is described as 35 to 38 years of age, medium height, slender build. Warrants are in existence.

C. W. THAYER. A Butler, Pa., member bank has suffered a loss through cashing a check drawn on the Baltimore Trust Company, Baltimore, Md., purporting to be signed by the secretary and treasurer of the Enco Flash Light Company, made payable to C. W. Thayer. Thayer represented himself to be a salesman; the check bore the notation "Com-

missions to date." The Enco Flash Light Company is non-existent. No description of Thayer is available at this time.

J. LEROY TOPE, relative to whom articles have been published in the November and December, 1917, JOURNAL Supplements, and who is mentioned elsewhere in this issue, has again taken up his operations. The latter part of March, Tope placed with a Los Angeles, Cal., member bank for collection two checks, one on New Orleans, La., and the other on Louisville, Ky. He requested to be allowed to draw against these checks, but his request was refused. It will be remembered that during the fall of last year, Tope travelled through the middle western states lecturing before the various Chambers of Commerce on "Efficiency." Banks in the western states should be on the watch for this man. He is described as 53 years of age, 6 feet, 210 pounds; tall and broad; has blue eyes, sandy hair turning gray and may wear a mustache.

E. D. WITHINGTON, relative to whom we published several articles in different JOURNAL Supplements of the year 1915,, and who was on September 7, 1915, sentenced to serve a term of from one to five years in the Indiana State Reformatory, has started on another swindling tour. He has stolen fifty-two checks of the Sand Springs Supply Company, Sand Springs, Okla., drawn on the Sand Springs State Bank, and is passing these checks on banks and hotels, forging the signatures of two officials of the above-named firm. He has defrauded three Tulsa, Okla., member banks with these



E. D. WITHINGTON

checks, and the last heard of him he was in Kansas City, where he secured funds on one of his checks at a hotel. It is not known where this man will operate next; therefore, all banks should be on the lookout. E. D. Withington has also used the names R. Walker, A. M. Williams, Tom Sherman, C. C. Rhodes, etc., and he is described as 30 years of age, 5 feet 10 inches, 150 pounds; has medium complexion, brown eyes and brown hair.

E. D. Withington

JACK W. WORTHINGTON has passed several checks in Phoenix, Ariz., to which he has forged the signature of a local grocer. A Phoenix member bank has suffered a loss. Worthington worked for the grocer for a time, and while there had access to the office where check books were kept. After working for a time he was discharged and took one of the check

books with him. After passing the checks in Phoenix, he disappeared. Our detective agents are now trying to locate him. He is described as 34 years of age, 5 feet 9 inches, 170 pounds; has dark brown hair streaked with gray, the gray being particularly noticeable at the back of the head.

GENERAL

EX-GOVERNOR HERRICK'S IMPERSONATOR REARRESTED

JOHN C. FREY, alias H. L. Herrick, with numerous aliases, well known to the members of this Association as the clever swindler who was able to secure many thousands of dollars through his impersonation of a relative of ex-Governor Myron T. Herrick of Ohio, is just starting on the second lap of another prison term.

As he left Sing Sing apparently free, he walked into the arms of two officers who arrested him on a warrant received from Washington. He is now being held awaiting the arrival of an officer with the necessary extradition papers. After Frey has answered for his crimes committed in Washington he will be just about half through, as he still has two more laps to go. The Philadelphia and Chicago authorities are awaiting their turns to have him. We have published several articles relative to this man and his fraudulent transactions, which have appeared in the issues of July, 1910, pages 16 and 20; July, 1916, page 6; April, 1917, pages 152 and 153; July, 1917, page 15, wherein the details of his method of swindling are shown.

BANK EMPLOYEE A SUICIDE


JOHN A. FRYE, relative to whom we published an article in the March, 1918, issue of the JOURNAL Supplement, committed suicide in Providence, R. I., on April 5, 1918.

E. J. ADAMS, while engaged as a clerk in a small country store, successfully operated against a member bank of Carizozo, N. M., by means of a check bearing the forged signature of his employer. He is described as 43 years of age, 5 feet 10 inches, 155 pounds; light brown hair, slightly sprinkled with gray.

B. ALEXANDER opened an account at a Cleveland, Ohio, member bank on March 15, 1918, in the firm name of the Cleveland Tire Company, making a small cash deposit. The following day he secured funds on three checks at local hotels, which would make his account considerably overdrawn. On March 18 the operator called at the bank in which he carried his account, and obtained a New York draft in an amount almost as large as his original deposit. It has been ascertained that there is no firm known as the Cleveland Tire Company in Cleveland. It seems that the operator sent the New York draft to a Detroit, Mich., hotel to take up a bogus check in a like amount which he had cashed there. B. Alexander has used the aliases of H. A. Scofield and H. S. Goldman. No description is available at this time.

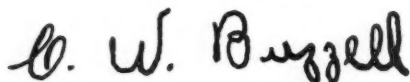
HENRY BARRON, alias J. Stillman, is operating at this time with bogus certified checks in large amounts on the St. Louis Union Bank, St. Louis, Mo. He operated successfully

against a jeweler in St. Louis, and attempted to secure funds in Mt. Vernon, Ill., but failed. In St. Louis he negotiated for the purchase of two valuable diamonds, and when he presented the bogus certified check everything seemed in order, so the jeweler turned over the diamonds and gave the operator his personal check for the difference between the price of the stones and the amount of the certified check. In Mt. Vernon he negotiated for the purchase of land, tendered a bogus certified check in payment, and received a check from the seller of the land for the difference between the initial payment and the amount of the certified check. He then tried to buy travelers' cheques from an express company, paying for them with the check he had just received. The express company telephoned the bank to ascertain if the check presented was good for the amount; the bank stated that when they had received returns on a check drawn on a St. Louis bank the local man's check would be good, but as matters stood it would overdraw the account. Seeing that he could not secure any funds, the operator then left town, stating he would leave the closing up of his transaction to the local man he had had his dealings with. The operator's description is as follows: 40 to 45 years of age, 5 feet 7 inches, 140 to 150 pounds; dark complexion; has a peaked face with a worried look. This individual has since been arrested and will be returned to Boston, Mass., to stand trial, at which point he successfully operated against a local bank.



HERBERT ANDERSON BURKE. On February 21, 1918, Burke sent a telegram, signing the name "Lee L. Polk," to Leigh L. Polk's father at Purvis, Miss., requesting that money be wired to him at Philadelphia. Leigh L. Polk is connected with the Hospital Naval Station at Philadelphia. The fact that the first name, "Leigh," was spelled incorrectly aroused suspicions, therefore a telegram was sent to the Naval Hospital. The reply established the fact that someone was impersonating Leigh L. Polk in his endeavors to secure funds. The Philadelphia office of our detective agents was communicated with, and on February 24 Herbert Anderson Burke was arrested. He admitted having sent the telegram in question and having impersonated young Polk. Burke was held by the city authorities on the charge of attempting to defraud. He pleaded guilty and was sentenced to serve three months in the Holmesburg County Prison, Philadelphia, Pa., where he is now confined. He is 21 years of age, 5 feet 8 inches, 135 pounds; of medium build; has a fair complexion and dark brown hair.

C. W. BUZZELL is an ex-clergyman and has been in the employ of the Anti-Saloon League at Albany, N. Y. Since his dismissal from the League he has continually drawn checks on the New York State National Bank, of Albany, N. Y., although he has no balance in that bank. He has cashed checks at Boston and Lynn, Mass. All banks in New England should watch for them. Buzzell is also wanted by the Albany, N. Y., police on another charge.



W. W. COLWELL, a former railroad contractor, is now endeavoring to regain his financial standing by drawing worthless drafts on the Gila Valley Bank & Trust Co., Ray, Ariz. At one time Colwell was a well-to-do business man, but in handling a large contract he met with reverses. Since then he has been using his friends in the vicinity of Ray, Ariz., to further his transactions.

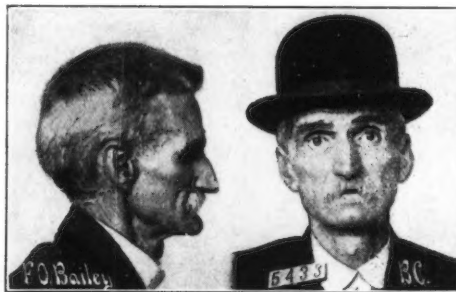
Colwell is 45 years of age, 6 feet 1 inch, 175 pounds; fair complexion, light eyes, thin hair.

H. M. DONALDSON has operated in Denver, Colo., with checks drawn on the First National Bank, of Clayton, N. Mex., which checks have been returned as worthless. The operator was dressed in an army uniform and claimed to be drilling with the Aviation Reserve Corps in Denver, which, it has been ascertained, is not the case. Donaldson's description is 24 years of age, 5 feet 10 or 11 inches, 155 to 160 pounds; of medium build; has medium complexion and light brown hair.

STEWART DUTOIT is alleged to have written a check on a Sumter, N. C., member bank, forging the name of a depositor. On April 11, 1918, the bank received that check through the mail from Stewart Dutoit together with a letter alleged to be signed by him requesting that the amount of the check be forwarded to him at an address in Columbus, Ohio. The money was forwarded, but when the check came to the attention of the depositor, she declared the same a forgery.

B. L. EVERSOLE has defrauded a customer of a Pond Creek, Okla., member bank by means of a bogus check drawn on the First National Bank, Woodward, Okla. Eversole is described as 40 years of age, 5 feet 10 inches, 150 pounds; of slender build; has dark complexion and dark hair, inclined to baldness.

A. G. GRAHAM, relative to whom an article was published in the March, 1918, JOURNAL Supplement, was arrested in San Bernardino, Cal., on February 28, 1918, by the local sheriff. During the investigation made by our detective agents information was received to the effect that Graham was a parole violator from the Oregon State Penitentiary. On March 16 he was returned to that institution, where he is now serving time. His sentence is indeterminate and therefore we do not know when he will be released.



D. A. GRAHAM

D. A. GRAHAM. A man using the name of D. A. Graham who caused a Philadelphia member bank to suffer a loss on a check drawn on the Colorado National Bank, of Denver, Colo., signed D. A. Graham, is now under arrest at Baltimore, Md., for a similar offense. In the last JOURNAL Supplement we published an article concerning this individual.

The operator is described as follows: 70 years of age, 6 feet, 110 pounds; very slender build, medium complexion, mixed gray hair, short, stubby, gray mustache, has a Southern accent.

W. L. HARRINGTON, claiming to be a Mason, is finding numerous victims among members of this fraternity. He presents a check payable to himself, usually drawn on the Rushville State Bank, Rushville, Ill. His description is 50 years of age, 6 feet, 220 pounds; fair complexion and mixed gray hair.

M. G. HARTMAN, alias G. L. Sullivan, is defrauding hotels and merchants in the state of Louisiana by means of bogus checks drawn on the Southern Investment Company. Counter checks of the Commercial National Bank of New Orleans, La., are used. The operator usually approaches his victim with the so-called "rush act," about ten minutes before train-leaving time, stating that he is in a great hurry to catch that train and requesting that his check be cashed. Hartman is 45 years of age, 5 feet 9 inches, 190 pounds; has fair complexion and a hook nose.

C. G. HORNSBERGER secured a position as a stock salesman with a brokerage firm of Seattle and started out to sell stock. A day or so later Hornsberger appeared at the firm's office, stated he had made a large sale, and turned in a check purporting to have been signed by a resident of Issaquah, Wash. He received a part of his commission on the sale in cash, and has not been seen since. The check in question proved to be a forgery, the brokerage firm being the loser. The operator is described as 35 years of age, 5 feet 8 inches, 160 pounds; of medium build; has fair complexion; wore large shell-rimmed spectacles.

CHARLES JACKSON is now operating in Kansas with bogus checks of the North End State Bank, Wichita, Kans. Some checks bear the name of the Wichita Iron and Metal Company, some the Iten Biscuit Company, and others the Auction Furniture Company, all having been inserted with a rubber stamp. Besides Charles Jackson, the operator has used the names of A. H. Bell, W. R. Hunter and E. Williams.

MAX LEWIN. We have been advised by the Federal Trust Company, of Philadelphia, Pa., that at the present time there is operating an individual who is using checks of their bank to which he is signing the name Max Lewin. Max Lewin has not, and never did have, an account at the Federal Trust Company. Most of these checks have been passed in Philadelphia, but some have come through from Baltimore. No bank has been victimized, as merchants have been the ones approached in every case. An attempt has been made to make some of the checks appear as if certified, but this is very crude.

CAPT. LEO LYCHE, alias Capt. Leo Steptoe. We have been informed by a New York City member that an operator using the above names is issuing bogus checks on the paper of Hannevig and Company, bankers, New York, N. Y., furthering his operations by the use of an army uniform. Information has just been received to the effect that this impostor was arrested at Louisville, Ky., at which point he endeavored to operate against a local hotel.

JAMES McQUADE, FRANK HOLLAND, ARTHUR HUCKE and FRANK HEUSNER, who were arrested following an attempt to defraud a non-member bank of Brooklyn, N. Y., were arraigned in the Children's Court at Jamaica, N. Y., on March 19, 1918. Heusner was acquitted; Holland was remanded to the Children's Society rooms until March 26; McQuade and Huckle were sent to the New York Juvenile Asylum until July 23.

C. MILLER, alias J. Chapman, etc. The Marine National Bank of Buffalo, N. Y., has advised our detective agents that an operator is now "floating" checks drawn on that bank. These checks bear what purports to be the signature of the treasurer of the Buffalo Tile, Marble and Slate Company, which firm has no account in the bank named above; the checks also bear a forged certification of the Marine National Bank. Thus far no bank has reported suffering any loss due to the operations of this man.

JOE OHMURA, Japanese, defrauded a Las Cruces, N. Mex., member bank by means of a loan swindle. The bank advanced funds on prospective returns on a certain tract of land; Ohmura disposed of what was raised on the land and disappeared. Any information as to the present whereabouts of this operator should be communicated to the nearest office of our detective agents, who are making an investigation. Ohmura is described as 24 years of age, 5 feet 2 inches, 110 pounds; medium build; has dark complexion, black hair and black eyes.

R. S. RIDLEY is operating in the southwestern states with bogus checks drawn on the paper of the State National Bank of El Paso, Texas, in which institution he has never had an account. He is 27 years of age, 5 feet 7 inches, 150 pounds; of good build; has sallow complexion, dark eyes and dark brown hair.

CHARLES SHERMAN, alias Roy McCormick. A man claiming to be Roy McCormick, formerly in the employ of a farmer in the vicinity of Cleghorn, Iowa, succeeded, on January 16, 1918, in securing funds at a Paullina, Iowa, member bank, on a check bearing the forged signature of his former employer, drawn on a Cleghorn, Iowa, bank, which is a non-member of this Association but a member of the Iowa Bankers Association. It was not discovered that this check was a forgery until the depositor's account was balanced, so the Cleghorn bank suffered a loss. A representative of our Minneapolis detective agents investigated at Cleghorn, Iowa, Paullina, Iowa, Sioux City, Iowa, and Lane, S. D.; at the last city it was ascertained that the operator had a friend in Toronto, Ont., Can., and that in all probability he had joined the Canadian army. The matter was referred to our detective agents at Toronto, who located Sherman, alias McCormick, in the Exhibition Camp, that city. Sherman confessed to having forged and uttered the check in question and agreed to waive extradition. This was on March 13; the operator was held under close arrest by the military authorities; on March 15 he escaped from his guard and on March 16 was rearrested. Later he was returned to Iowa for trial. This investigation was financed by the Iowa Bankers Association. The operator's description follows: 32 years of age, 5 feet 6½ inches, 135 pounds; medium complexion, blue eyes, brown hair; tattoo on left arm of rose and initials "C. S." and "M. B."

H. E. SMITH, alias E. E. Elrod, secured possession of a check book of the Fidelity Trust Company, Kansas City, Mo., and operated against several merchants of that city. He would enter a store, order a bill of goods to be sent to an address where he was not known, present a bogus check and endeavor to secure the difference in cash, which was always a small amount. In all his operations he wore the uniform of a private in the United States Army. No bank was victimized. On March 15, 1918, he was arrested by the Kansas City police department. The defrauded merchants identified Smith, and, as he wore a uniform, the matter was brought to the attention of an agent of the Department of Justice. The

latter questioned Smith, he finally admitting that he was a deserter. He will be prosecuted by the military authorities. His description is as follows: 30 years, 6 feet, 160 pounds; slender build, medium dark complexion, dark hair.

HARRY STONE, alias Harry Sominsky, alias Sam Goldberg, alias Ben Goldstein, alias Harry Miller, was arrested at Toledo, Ohio, on December 31, 1917, for having attempted to utter a bogus check drawn against the Security Savings Bank and Trust Company of Toledo. When Stone was searched several checks on the above-named bank were found, as well as several checks of the Woodland Avenue Savings and Trust Company, Cleveland, Ohio. Stone's mode of operation was to call at department stores after banking hours, make a small purchase, and tender a check in payment. He was held on a charge of forgery. On February 14, 1918, he pleaded guilty and was sentenced to 14 months in the Ohio State Penitentiary. His description is as follows: 25 years of age, 5 feet 7 or 8 inches, 150 pounds; medium build, dark complexion, dark eyes and dark hair.

LEO THOMAS, alias E. J. Rolling, alias George J. Barthe, a chauffeur, about nineteen years of age, was arrested in New Orleans, La., on March 15, 1918, by the local police, charged with obtaining money on a bogus check drawn on the paper of the Metropolitan Bank of New Orleans. On the morning of March 16 the operator was sentenced to serve six months in the Parish Prison.

H. W. WILLIAMS, alias C. H. Graham. This individual is floating bogus checks throughout the South. These checks purport to be those of the Mutual Advertising & Special Sales Co. They are usually drawn on the Hamilton National Bank, Chattanooga, Tenn. In each instance they are signed by H. W. Williams, general manager. So far as our knowledge goes, this is a fictitious firm.

J. S. WILSON is now operating in Canada with bogus drafts purporting to have been issued by the Trust Company of Georgia, Atlanta, Ga., on the Chase National Bank, New York, N. Y. These drafts bear the forged signature of the treasurer of the Trust Company of Georgia. Wilson was last heard from in St. John, Canada.

MILTON C. WRIGHT. Early in August, 1917, Wright went into a Minneapolis, Minn., non-member bank with a mortgage in a large amount. He stated that he was negotiating with parties in Mount Vernon, Ill., for the sale of that mortgage; that he wished to deposit the money derived from the sale in the bank, and that he would instruct his attorneys in Mount Vernon to forward the money received from the sale to the bank; the bank was then to credit him with that money and forward the mortgage papers to the attorneys. A short time later the bank received a letter from "Craig & Little, Attorneys, Mount Vernon, Ill.," which contained a draft in a large amount in payment for the mortgage. The draft purported to have been drawn by the Jefferson State Bank, Mount Vernon, Ill., on the Chase National Bank, New York, N. Y. The Minneapolis bank credited the operator with the amount, and he checked out the greater part before word was received that the draft was bogus. There is no such firm as Craig & Little in Mount Vernon, Ill. The Minnesota Bankers Association took this case up in behalf of the interested bank's membership in that Association. They traced the operator to Chicago, where they finally ascertained where Wright's friends resided. It was learned that Wright was going to be in Sioux City, Iowa, on a certain day, so they sent a telegram there, which resulted in the arrest of the operator. He is described

as 61 years of age, 5 feet 11 inches, 200 pounds; has gray hair; wears nose glasses at times.

STOLEN LIBERTY BONDS

The following Liberty Loan Bonds have been stolen from the City National Bank, Lawton, Oklahoma:

BONDS OF FIRST LOAN

\$50 issues 140086, 140087, 140095 to 140116, inclusive.
\$100 issues 65533 to 65547, inclusive.
\$500 issues 19070 to 19078, inclusive.

BONDS OF SECOND LOAN

\$50 issues 3494044, 477236, 4419625, 3665957, 3665980, 3365979, 3365978, 679596, 679526.
\$100 issues 2038879, 2086701 to 2086704, inclusive; 2086739, 2086747 to 2086751, inclusive; 2236081.
\$500 issues 352814, 352838 to 352850, inclusive.
\$1000 issues 396235 to 396237, inclusive, 395982, 395983.

Any information concerning the location of any of these securities will be gratefully received.

BURGLARS STEAL LIBERTY BONDS

The Wetzel & Company Bank of New Martinsville, W. Va., a non-member of this association, was recently burglarized and the following Liberty Bonds stolen:

SECOND LIBERTY LOAN BONDS

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| 12— \$50 Bonds..... | No. 1493898 to 909 |
| 14— 100 Bonds..... | 993419 to 32 |
| 7— 500 Bonds..... | 148664 to 70 |
| 13—1,000 Bonds..... | 158525 to 37 |

These are converted bonds and are the property of Wetzel County.

SECOND LIBERTY LOAN BONDS

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| 7— \$50 Bonds..... | No. 6955067 to 73 |
| 12— 100 Bonds..... | 4585384 to 95 |
| 2—1,000 Bonds..... | 1608469 to 70 |
| 59— 50 Bonds..... | 6955074 to 132 |
| 80— 100 Bonds..... | 4585396 to 475 |
| 14— 500 Bonds..... | 637936 to 49 |
| 7—1,000 Bonds..... | 1608471 to 77 |

These are the property of the bank and a few of their customers. Should any trace of these securities be obtained, kindly notify this department.

STOLEN LIBERTY BONDS

We have been advised by the local police of the theft of the following Liberty Loan Bonds (second 4%) from a messenger:

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| 168511 | 663205 | } of the \$500 issue | |
| 168512 | 663206 | | |
| 168513 | 663207 | | |
| 168514 | 663208 | | |
| 176262 | 663209 | | |
| 283350 | 663211 | | |
| 327153 | 663213 | | |
| 327154 | 663214 | | |
| 327155 | 663215 | | |
| 327156 | 663216 | | |
| 327157 | 663217 | | |
| 327158 | 666218 | | |
| 663204 | 666219 | | |
| 1628865 | 1628866 | | } of the \$1,000 issue |

Any member receiving information regarding any of these bonds will kindly notify this department or the nearest office of our detective agents.

LOST OR STOLEN CHECKS

We have been advised by a member bank of Marinette, Wis., that checks of the Goodman Lumber Company, Goodman, Wis., numbered 24328 to 24347, inclusive, bearing the countersignature of Mr. R. B. Goodman, were stolen from the mails on March 8, 1918. A mail sack, it appears, was stolen at Pembine, Wis. We would suggest that the banks in that vicinity scrutinize carefully checks of the Goodman Lumber Company coming to their attention, as payment on those bearing the above numbers has been stopped.

ARRESTED

YOKOHAMA SPECIE HOLD-UP

Our detective agents apprehend five bandits

Due to a very clever bit of detective work on the part of our detective agents, we are able to report in detail the apprehension of five hold-up men who, on the afternoon of March 19, entered the Yokohama Specie Bank, San Francisco, and compelled the employees and officials to hand over to them a large sum in money and negotiable papers. The men under arrest are ARCHIE FRAZIER, THOMAS FRAZIER, AL HAMILTON, JOE CORSIGLIA and MILES E. BENNETT.

The credit for this fine piece of work is due to the efforts of Manager Tharp of our detective agents and their representa-



THOMAS FRAZIER

tive, Harry Lubbock, who at this time is confined in a local hospital, having been shot twice by Miles E. Bennett, one of the bandits, whom he was endeavoring to locate. Throughout the entire investigation, Tharp and Lubbock worked in close accord with Captain Mathewson of the San Francisco police, and with the aid of his men the desired results were obtained.

Following the hold-up our agents were immediately requested to act. In questioning the employees their suspicions of Archie Frazier were excited, consequently all their efforts were centered upon him. His story was thoroughly investigated and found lacking. While investigating Frazier he was not suspected of having committed the crime, but it was apparent from his actions that he had guilty knowledge of same.

As our agents continued further with their investigations, it was ascertained that Frazier's brother Thomas, and Miles E. Bennett, accompanied by a third man, were the parties who entered the bank. Information was secured that Frazier



EMANUEL SCHENONE

might be in the vicinity of Charlotte, N. C. Our special representative at Atlanta was advised of this. He detailed Investigator Whitfield to follow up the lead. The information proved to be reliable and Thomas Frazier's arrest was accomplished. He confessed and implicated several others and furnished our agents with the identity of the third robber, known to him as Emanuel.

Following Thomas Frazier's arrest, Archie Frazier in some manner was able to purchase an automobile in which he left the vicinity. In checking up the purchase it was learned that \$20 bills had been used in paying for the car. This fact strengthened the belief of our agents that Archie was implicated in the affair. He was traced through our information to Los Angeles, when his arrest followed at the hands of the local police.

Archie Frazier, not knowing that his brother had confessed, broke down and told the first authentic story of the crime. He implicated Joe Corsiglia, a saloon man, and Al Hamilton, a chauffeur, both of San Francisco, and also acknowledged his share.

The last two mentioned men were arrested, accounting for four men out of the band of six, leaving Miles E. Bennett and Emanuel Schenone still missing.

Not letting up for a moment, Lubbock, having learned the name of a woman who was very friendly to Bennett, decided to place her under surveillance. This decision brought about the desired results; however, it came near costing Lubbock his life. On April 21, while this investigator had Bennett's woman friend under surveillance, she led him to a deserted spot in Golden Gate Park. As they passed this spot where Bennett was hiding, two shots were fired into Lubbock's back, seriously wounding him. A few moments after this cowardly act, Bennett surrendered to the police.

We take this opportunity to express our appreciation of the hearty co-operation extended to our detective agents by the authorities of San Francisco, Los Angeles, Cal., Reno, Nev., and Charlotte, N. C.

W. M. ANDERSON (2nd Lieut.). On February 23, 1918, a Wichita Falls, Texas, member bank obliged a soldier by cashing two checks in small amounts. These checks were signed "W. M. Anderson, 2nd Lieut., 19th Infantry," and were drawn on Hutchings, Sealy & Company, bankers, Galveston, Texas, at which bank Anderson had no account. Our detective agents at Dallas and Houston worked on the case. It later developed that the operator was a deserter from the United States Army. He was located in Galveston, Texas, on March 15, and arrested by the military police on a charge of

desertion. He was confined in the barracks of the Nineteenth Infantry. A detainer warrant for Anderson has been lodged by the Wichita Falls bank with the sheriff of Galveston County. He is 27 or 28 years of age, 5 feet 8 inches, 145 to 150 pounds; of medium stout build; has light complexion, light blue or brown eyes, and brown hair.

E. N. BARTER has defrauded member banks at Gardiner, Me., and Lewiston, Me., by means of worthless checks. He drew against an account which was closed several months ago. Our detective agents at Boston, Mass., were notified. A representative was assigned to the case, and after making investigations in Boston, Winthrop, Mass., Hallowell, Me., and Portland, Me., he was successful in causing the arrest of the operator in the last-named city on April 4, 1918. Barter is to be returned to Lewiston, Me., for trial. He is 45 years of age, 5 feet 9 or 10 inches, 180 pounds; has medium dark complexion and dark, thin hair.

PEARL BROWN, a school teacher, succeeded in defrauding a member bank at Watertown, S. D., by means of a forged check. She was later arrested by the local authorities before an investigator from the Minneapolis office of our detective agents could get on the ground.

RUSSELL DANIEL, alias Earnest Mappas. While a representative of our Kansas City detective agents was in an Oklahoma City, Okla., member bank on another case, a man entered and presented a check in a small amount. The teller noticed that the face of the check and the indorsement was in the same handwriting, and handed it to the cashier and our detective agent's representative for examination. The latter questioned the man, who claimed that the maker was a brother of his. It was then found that the maker of the check was in Texas and that the signature was a forgery. The presenter of the check was placed under arrest. Later it was ascertained that he had also attempted to secure funds on a similar check at another Oklahoma City bank. A complaint of forgery and attempting to secure money under false pretenses was then made by the interested bank, and a warrant was issued. Mappas admitted that his true name is Russell Daniel, and he is now being held awaiting trial.

FAYETTE M. DEEDS. Following Deeds' recent arrest and release in Kansas City, Mo., arrangements were completed whereby funds were advanced for returning him to New Orleans, La., for prosecution. On March 28, 1918, Deeds was rearrested in Kansas City by the local police. Since then he has been returned to New Orleans, where he is now awaiting trial.

A. C. DENLY, alias J. M. Ellice. A man giving the name J. M. Ellice entered a Belzoni, Miss., member bank on February 16, last, and after being identified by a local citizen, secured funds on a check bearing the forged signature of a depositor. Denly was traced by a representative of the New Orleans office of our detective agents from Isola, Miss., to Inverness, Miss., hence to Yazoo City, Miss. It was ascertained that Denly and his wife had left Yazoo City for Memphis, Tenn., a telegram was sent by the New Orleans investigator to the Memphis office of our detective agents. By tracing baggage checked by the operator, a representative of the Memphis office located Denly in that city, where he was placed under arrest. Denly, alias Ellice, has been returned to Belzoni, Miss., and at this writing is awaiting trial. He is described as 24 years of age, 6 feet, 175 pounds, of medium build; has florid complexion, blue or gray eyes, and light brown hair.

KILBY EASTEPS, alias J. W. Williams, alias G. A. Wilmer. While an investigator working under our Atlanta Special

Representative was in Johnson City, Tenn., on March 30, 1918, a member bank of that city reported to him that they had received several checks in small amounts during the last three months to which the name of one of their depositors had been forged. The bank paid on one or two of these checks before the forgeries were discovered and consequently lost a small sum. An investigation was started, and while the same was in progress a Jonesboro, Tenn., member bank telephoned the Johnson City bank, stating that a man was then in the bank presenting a small check, and asking if the account was good. It was determined that the depositor had issued no such check, the Jonesboro bank was asked to hold the operator. Our representative proceeded to Jonesboro immediately, as it was believed that the operator was then somewhere in that city. A search was started, later the man who gave his name as J. W. Williams was located at the depot waiting for a train. He was placed under arrest, and at first denied all knowledge of the forged check. After being questioned for a short time he stated that his name was Kilby Easteps, and made a complete confession. A warrant was sworn out by the Jonesboro bank charging forgery and attempting to pass a forged check.

ROGER FLETCHER FORD has operated against four Los Angeles, Cal., member banks in a rather novel way. His mode of operation was to open an account with a bank by depositing \$100 in cash; he would reduce his balance to slightly over \$50 within a few days; then he would ascertain when the paying teller went to lunch, and in his absence present a \$50 check to the relief teller, receiving funds on the same; when the regular teller returned, he would present another \$50 check, and obtain the funds on it, for the reason that the first check had not been posted in the short interval, and the regular teller had no way of knowing that his relief had also cashed a \$50 check. When the operator appeared at the fourth bank and endeavored to cash a second \$50 check, the attempt to defraud the bank was discovered, and our local detective agents were notified. After a questioning, the man admitted his fraudulent transactions, and was placed under arrest. He has used the aliases J. A. Simmons, A. L. Thomas, R. A. Brown and J. O. Fletcher.

EDITOR GALE ARRESTED

Editor of *Gales Magazine* held on bogus check charge

Our detective agents caused quite a storm of protest when they effected the arrest of LINN A. E. GALE for a New York member bank, the storm naturally coming from the well-named gentleman.

Gale, who is the editor, owner and office boy of a magazine carrying his name "blew" into New York along with the stormy month of February. In his breezy manner he called upon two local banks and in both cases was able to talk them into permitting him to draw against uncollected items, they thereby becoming the victims of this "human hurricane."

Due to the peculiar characteristics pertaining to this man, our agents had very little trouble in locating him, as he left a very broad trail, well lighted up by his brilliant, flaming red beard. They did have considerable difficulty in escaping from his clutches, following his arrest, as he was very fond of talking, and endeavored to talk himself out of his troubles. At his preliminary hearing, he was held for Special Sessions. His description is as follows: 25 years of age, 5 feet 11 inches, 150 pounds, dark complexion, dark brown hair, brown eyes, flaming red beard, very talkative.

CHARLES GIBSON, JR., held a responsible position in Willits, Cal., and his reputation was very good. Therefore, when he deposited in a Willits member bank a draft drawn on the First National Bank of Findlay, Ill., he was given credit for the amount. Two days later he succeeded in securing cash on a check in a considerable amount drawn on the Willits bank and then disappeared. During the last part of January Gibson was arrested in Chicago, Ill., by the local police, at the instigation of the Willits, Cal., bank. Gibson has been returned to Willits, Cal., to stand trial, but the bank has been reimbursed by his father and, therefore, it is probable he will plead guilty and will be given a suspended sentence.

W. P. GOODYEAR, relative to whom an article was published in the December, 1917, JOURNAL Supplement, was arrested in Detroit, Mich., on April 10, 1918, by our detective agents and the local police. The arrest was effected following receipt of information from the interested Cedar Rapids, Iowa, member bank that Goodyear had advised they could reach him through a certain hotel in Saginaw, Mich. A representative of our detective agents investigated at Saginaw, and it was learned that the operator had moved to a certain address in Detroit. Goodyear was found at the address in question and arrested.

WILLIAM HUSTON, alias S. A. Henderson. On March 12, 1918, this operator, under the name of S. A. Henderson, opened an account with a Philadelphia, Pa., member bank by depositing several checks to which he had forged the indorsement of the payees. Later he deposited more checks bearing forged indorsements. Before the forgeries were discovered Henderson was able to check out the greater part of the amount standing to his credit on the books of the bank. Our detective agents at Philadelphia were notified on March 20, 1918, and immediately started an investigation. It was learned that Henderson had bought a suit of clothes at a certain tailoring establishment and was to send a messenger there for it. When the messenger appeared in the evening of March 20, a representative of our detective agents and two city detectives followed him. The messenger connected with the operator on 23rd Street, near Morris Street, Philadelphia, and after a short running gun fight, Henderson, who gave his true name as William Huston, was arrested. The following morning he was identified by the bank cashier as the man who had opened an account giving the name of S. A. Henderson. This operator was held to answer for his crime.



L. C. LIEBER

L. C. LIEBER, alias L. L. Birdsey, victimized a Los Angeles, Cal., member bank on a check bearing a forged indorsement. Our detective agents at Los Angeles started an investigation, and it was learned that the operator, L. C. Lieber, was then in the county jail charged with having defrauded his employers out of a large sum. Lieber was given

a hearing on March 29, and bound over to the Superior Court under bond to await trial. His description is as follows: 30 years of age, 6 feet 1½ inches, 201 pounds; of medium heavy build; has blue eyes and brown hair, being slightly bald on the left side of the head.



E. W. LONG

E. W. Long defrauded a Los Angeles, Cal., member by means of a check in a small amount to which he had forged the signature of a depositor. It was learned that Long is an accountant and had done some work for the depositor, receiving a check in payment of his salary. Long disappeared from Los Angeles, but our detective agents came into receipt of information that he had gone to El Centro; a representative proceeded to that city, where Long was arrested on March 27, 1918. He is 31 years of age, 5 feet 9 inches, 130 pounds; of slim build; has blue eyes and light brown hair; third joint ring finger right hand broken.

CHAS. R. MOORE, JR., victimized a Bainbridge, Ga., member by means of a bogus check drawn on the Battery Park Bank of Asheville, N. C. An investigation was made by our special representative at Atlanta, and about the middle of March Moore was arrested in Asheville, N. C., by the local authorities, on a warrant sworn out by the interested bank.

ALFRED FORREST NARVER, alias A. F. Marzer, alias E. R. Norton, alias A. F. Harver, alias F. H. Russell, alias H. C. Miller. A Salt Lake City, Utah, member bank has been defrauded out of a large sum of money by this individual. Recently he deposited in the Salt Lake City bank a check in a large amount ostensibly drawn by the Hauser Packing Company, of Los Angeles, Cal., on the First National Bank, Los Angeles, payable to the Pacific Live Stock Company, and indorsed Pacific Live Stock Company and A. F. Marzer. Marzer checked against his account, withdrawing practically half of the amount to his credit before it was discovered that the check was bogus. Our detective agents at Denver, Colo., were notified, an investigation was started at once. It was learned by an official of the bank that a woman who had been living with the operator had left Price, Utah, at 1:50 P. M. on April 2, 1918, on a certain train; a description was given to our detective agents. An investigator of the Denver office of our detective agents took up the case, and learned that a man answering the description of Marzer had just opened an account in a Denver member bank under the name of the Russell Live Stock Company, by F. H. Russell. The official of the Denver bank who transacted the business with Russell accompanied our detective agents' representative to the Union Station, where the investigator was able to locate the woman companion of the subject. At the time she was talking with a man who answered the description of Marzer in every detail. The bank official identified the man as the one who had just previously opened an account claiming to be F. H. Russell.

He was placed under arrest shortly afterwards at a local hotel to which point he had been followed. The woman was also arrested. He claimed that he knew nothing about any transaction in Salt Lake City, but when he was searched papers in the name of A. F. Narver were found in his possession. The woman gave her name as Harriet Miller, stated she was a sister to the man arrested, whose true name was Alfred Forrest Narver. It was later ascertained that the same operator, under the name of H. C. Miller, defrauded another Salt Lake City member bank during February of this year by means of bogus checks made payable to the Riverside Ranch and Live Stock Company, drawn on the First National Bank of Brawley, Cal., and signed H. C. Miller. In 1915 Narver victimized a Los Angeles, Cal., member out of a large sum of money. Narver, alias Marver, alias Russell, alias Miller has been returned to Salt Lake City, where he is now awaiting trial at that point. He is described as 45 to 50 years of age, 5 feet 7 inches, 155 pounds; of medium build; has medium complexion, dark and gray hair.

A. S. OLDERHAM, alias D. E. Willard, secured funds from a Bailey, N. C., member on a forged check bearing a forged certification. The transaction was reported to the Baltimore office of our detective agents, and an investigator was detailed to take up the case. Investigations were made at Bailey and Raleigh, N. C. Shortly afterwards a man operating in the same manner was arrested at Burlington, N. C. Later he was identified as the one who defrauded the Bailey bank. He was held for trial in the Alamance County Court for an offense he committed at Elon, N. C. The operator is described as about 21 years of age, 5 feet 10 inches, 150 pounds; of fair complexion; has sandy hair.



WALTER O'NEIL

WALTER O'NEIL has operated throughout the Atlantic and southern states with bogus checks purporting to bear the certification stamp of the bank on which they were drawn. He defrauded numerous jewelers, merchants and hotel proprietors; he also victimized a Napoleonville, La., member bank and a Lee's Summit, Mo., member bank. Our detective agents at New York, New Orleans, Dallas, Memphis, Kansas City and St. Louis worked on this case. On March 28 O'Neil was arrested in Philadelphia, Pa., by the local police. He has since been returned to Schenectady, N. Y., where he passed a bogus certified check at a local hotel on January 8, 1918. He is now being held on a charge of grand larceny, second degree (passing worthless checks), awaiting the action of the grand jury, which convenes in that city on May 6, 1918. Walter O'Neil is 31 years of age, 5 feet 11¼ inches, 151 pounds; of medium build; has medium light complexion, medium dark blue eyes and medium light hair; his right foot has been amputated at the ankle.



ARTHUR F. OSWALD

ARTHUR F. OSWALD victimized a Los Angeles, Cal., member bank by getting them to cash a worthless check in a small amount. The check was presented just before closing time on March 12, 1918, the teller paid the amount in currency before he noticed that the make had no account in the bank. On March 13, the operator again entered the same bank and endeavored to secure funds on another worthless check. He was detained until a representative of our Los Angeles detective agents could arrive at the bank. Later he admitted that he had cashed the check knowing it to be worthless. A warrant was issued and Oswald was lodged in the county jail to await his trial. Following is his description: 45 years of age, 5 feet 10 or 11 inches, 185 pounds.

M. A. PACK attempted to defraud a Dalton, Ga., member bank by means of a promissory note bearing forged indorsements. Pack negotiated by mail the securing of funds on a note bearing indorsements of three men well known to officials of the Dalton bank. The forgeries were so clumsy that they were easily detected. Our special representative at Atlanta was notified of the transaction and an investigator was detailed upon the case. He located the operator in the vicinity of Screven, Ga., where Pack, under the name of A. P. Robbins, was working on a farm. At first Robbins denied his identity, but when his handwriting was compared with that on the check, and the postmaster identified him as the one who had received mail addressed to M. A. Pack, he confessed that he was the one who had forged the indorsements to the note in question. The operator is 25 years of age, 5 feet 8 to 10 inches, 160 to 170 pounds; has light eyes and light hair; has a wen growing on the left side of his head just below the ear.

OSCAR PHIPPIN caused a Delmar, Del., member bank to suffer a loss by securing funds on checks to which he had forged his father's name. He was arrested on March 9, 1918, by the Delmar authorities when he attempted to cash another forged check. At this writing he is being held in jail awaiting a hearing in the juvenile court. Oscar Phippin is only 16 years of age.

JOHN FRANCIS PLUNKETT, alias Francis Stark. On February 9, 1918, a man giving the name of Francis Stark opened a savings and a commercial account at a member bank of St. Bernard, Ohio, depositing a check drawn on a Sisterville, W. Va., bank, and received a small amount in cash. On the same day he secured funds on a small check on the paper of the Oakley Bank, Cincinnati, Ohio. Later he deposited another check and also secured cash for still another. On the 13th he drew two checks against his account, which were honored. The St. Bernard bank suffered losses on all these transactions. The Cleveland office of our detective agents was notified and a representative was detailed on the

case. On February 23, while an investigation was in progress, a man claiming to be Francis Stark was arrested at Winton Place, Cincinnati, Ohio, for attempting to utter a check on a bank in that vicinity. He was given a hearing on February 25, when he admitted that he was guilty of the charges against him, and also stated that his right name is John Francis Plunkett. The operator is 21 years of age; of medium height; has dark hair.

J. F. STUART. A Birmingham, Ala., member bank cashed a check in a small amount signed J. F. Stuart, when the same was presented at the bank by the payee, a young woman. When the bookkeeper endeavored to charge the amount of the check to a depositor, it was discovered that J. F. Stuart had no account in the bank; therefore, the bank suffered a loss. Our Birmingham detective agents made an investigation. Stuart was traced from Birmingham to Opelika, Ala., to Columbus, Ga., to Americus, Ga. In each of these cities he succeeded in securing money on bogus checks. In Americus he was arrested by the local sheriff on March 22, 1918. He is being held at that point on two charges, one for having whiskey in his possession, and the other for having obtained money under false pretenses.

FRANK E. SWEENEY defrauded an El Paso, Texas, member with whom he had carried an account for three years, by means of a bogus check. The El Paso special representative of our detective agents started an investigation, and it was learned that Sweeney had been in the habit of issuing checks on promises of prospective customers, later making them good. Upon being questioned by our detective agents' representative he at first claimed that the check had been given him in payment of some merchandise, and that he knew nothing of the maker further than that he came from Las Cruces, N. Mex. Later he confessed to having written the check himself. He was indicted by the grand jury on March 29, 1918, on a charge of uttering a bogus check. On March 30, he appeared at the office of the sheriff of El Paso County, and made bond for appearance when his case comes up for a hearing.

ED. THOMAS victimized a Commerce, Okla., member bank by disposing of mortgaged property. The Oklahoma City representative of our detective agents was notified and investigated at Miami, Wyandotte, Prior Creek, and Tulsa, Okla. On April 2, 1918, our agent's representative located Thomas in Tulsa; his arrest followed. He has been returned to Miami for trial.

ROBERT E. WAGONER, victimized a Detroit, Mich., member bank by means of a forged withdrawal order on a savings account. On February 16, 1918, a man who was recognized as Robert E. Wagoner, who formerly had an account at that bank, entered and presented a withdrawal order on a savings account. The bank refused to pay any money for the reason that the order was written in pencil. Later the operator returned with a counter check of the bank properly filled in and bearing a signature which later proved to be a forgery; the money was turned over to Wagoner. It was learned that Wagoner boarded until recently with the party whose name was forged; he left rather suddenly and shortly afterwards the bank book was discovered missing. The depositor notified the bank, but the forged order had already been paid. As stated above, Wagoner was arrested by the local police on February 18, and on February 19 a warrant was sworn out, Wagoner being held awaiting trial.

L. REESE WELLS, who operated in the mid-western states with a forged letter of credit, and relative to whom we

published an article in the November, 1917, JOURNAL Supplement, was arrested in Kansas City, Mo., by our detective agents and the local police on April 16, 1918. Our agents obtained the address at which the operator's wife and son were living, and secured, under a pretext, the information that he was working as a traveling salesman for a Kansas City firm, and that he came home once or twice a month. Our agents then took steps to ascertain when he would be home. With this information in hand they placed a surveillance over the house. When Wells appeared his arrest followed.



C. J. WHITE

C. J. WHITE, alias J. L. Barnes. On April 4, 1918, a Monrovia, Cal., member bank reported to our detective agents at Los Angeles that they had suffered a loss on account of paying on a check to which the signature of one of their depositors had been forged. Upon comparing the forged check with genuine ones of the bank's depositor, it was found that all had been written on the same typewriter. The forged check which was made payable to J. L. Barnes, was given by the operator in payment of some oil stock. Suspicion was directed toward one C. J. White, who was employed as a salesman by the man whose name was forged. The operator then transferred and sold the stock again through a Los Angeles brokerage firm. Arrangements were made to have White go to Los Angeles, where he was taken before the man who had bought the oil stock, and the latter positively identified him. Later White admitted that he had used the name of Barnes and forged the check in question. He was then turned over to the Los Angeles police department by our agents.

WILLIE YOUNG, a negro; alias W. Morris, alias Lieut. Fred L. Rogers, a soldier stationed at Columbus, N. Mex., defrauded several merchants of that city by means of checks drawn on an El Paso, Tex., member bank. He began operations on December 12, 1917, and on December 16 he attempted to pass one of his bogus checks at a Columbus member bank. On that day the first check issued came back, and the merchant who had cashed it was in the bank at the time Young came in; the latter was identified as the party for whom the check had been cashed, and was turned over to the military authorities, charges being preferred against him. The operator's description is 32 years, 5 feet 7 inches, 135 pounds; of heavy build; has black complexion, maroon eyes and black hair.

REMOVED

PERCY BLACKWELL was tried at Fayetteville, W. Va., and convicted of forgery. Owing to the fact that this man had served previous prison terms, he was declared to be a habitual

criminal, and was given a life sentence. He is now confined in the penitentiary at Moundsville, W. Va.

H. C. BUNDY. We are in receipt of information that this man was convicted of obtaining money under false pretenses in the Multnomah County, Ore., Court, and sentenced to from 1 to 5 years in the Oregon State Penitentiary. He was granted a parole on condition that he would not leave the state of Oregon. An attempt was made to extradite Bundy to San Francisco, Cal., where he has also defrauded a bank, and extradition papers were signed by the governor of Oregon. Habeas corpus proceedings were instituted by Bundy's wife, after he had been apprehended on a California charge; her attorneys contended that her husband was in custody in Oregon on a judgment in that state, that the same was in full force and effect, and that he had never been discharged therefrom. A demurrer to that defence was filed and sustained in the Circuit Court. The case was then taken to the Supreme Court, which held that Bundy's legal condition had been fixed by the judgment of the Multnomah Court, that such judgment restrains the state as well as Bundy, and that he is entitled to enjoy its privileges as well as to sustain its burdens, and that no power resides in the executive to deprive him thereof. In view of the above, we are removing this man's name from the Awaiting Trial List.

JULIUS CARDEN, charged with being implicated in the hold-up of the First National Bank, of Heavener, Okla., which took place in December, 1916, failed to appear on the date set for his trial; therefore, his bond was forfeited, and he was declared a fugitive from justice.

JULIUS CARDEN, charged with participation in the robbery of the Bank of Glenwood, Ark., which occurred in November, 1917, was convicted and given a sentence of 7 years in the Arkansas State Penitentiary, which sentence he is now serving.

W. R. COLE. When this young man's case came up, his father appeared in court and made a plea for leniency; he was allowed to plead guilty, and was given a sentence of 3 months in jail, subject to work on the public roads.

H. O. COOPER, alias George Dezell, charged at Indianapolis, Ind., with passing worthless drafts, was convicted on December 17, 1917, was fined \$100 and costs, and was sentenced to serve from 1 to 5 years at the Indiana State Prison, Michigan City, Ind.

H. H. DAVIS was convicted on a charge of forgery in the Weber County, Utah, District Court, and sentenced to serve from one to ten years in the Utah State Prison. He was taken to the prison on February 1, 1918.

HOWARD FORTNER. In the March, 1918, term of the United States Court, Danville, Ill., Fortner was fined \$250 and costs, which were paid by his father. It will be remembered that during March, 1917, this man contemplated holding up a Windsor, Ill., member bank. He was indicted last November by the Federal Grand Jury on a charge of using the mails in furtherance of a scheme to defraud.

O. C. FRANCIS, charged with forgery by a Tulsa, Okla., member, pleaded guilty, and was paroled to his brother at Cleveland, Okla. He is to report weekly to the judge by letter for one year. It was shown that the young man has been troubled with epileptic fits, and at times is unbalanced in his mind, which accounts for leniency being granted.

M. H. GRIFFIN, who was arrested in Kansas City, Mo., on February 2, 1918, by our detective agents, has been released.

WHERE IS THE "GALE"?

In another column of this issue, we have published an article concerning the activities of LINN A. E. GALE. Following Gale's success in having his hearings postponed on several occasions, he made a whirlwind exit and is now wanted as a fugitive from justice.

Evidently, from information secured, Gale has forgotten his obligations as a citizen for he is now wanted by the Federal authorities as a "slacker." Any information concerning the present whereabouts of this individual will be appreciated.

MARY GRIGSBY, negress, was sentenced on March 19, 1918, to serve a term of 10 years in the reformatory at Anamosa, Iowa; she was paroled on the same date.

A. E. HIGHTOWER, charged with forgery at Tulsa, Okla., was released from custody after turning state's evidence in the trial of Mr. and Mrs. Hinche.

IVA MAY HINCHE was found guilty of the charge of forgery brought against her in Tulsa, Okla., and on April 17, 1918, was given a sentence of 1 year and 1 day.

MARVIN HINCHE was convicted on a charge of forgery, and on April 17, 1918, was sentenced in Tulsa, Okla., to serve 5 years in the State Penitentiary, McAlester, Okla.

WILLIAM HUSTON pleaded guilty to the charges of forgery brought against him in Philadelphia, Pa., and was sentenced to serve not less than 5 years nor more than 10 years in the Eastern Penitentiary, Philadelphia, Pa.

ERNEST LEDFORD. As a result of the delay on the part of the El Paso, Texas, authorities in requesting the Manchester, Ky., police to hold Leford, he has been released, habeas corpus proceedings having been instituted.

JESS LITRELL has been given a sentence of 20 years for bank robbery and life for murder. He is now confined in the Oklahoma State Penitentiary at McAlester, Okla.

CHAS. R. MOORE, Jr. The interested bank has come to the conclusion that it would be impossible to prosecute this operator due to his state of mind. Moore has been confined in a private sanitarium and full restitution has been made by his family.

LESTER MOORE, held for forgery at Birmingham, Ala., pleaded guilty on September 17, 1917, to two of the three counts for forgery against him; he was sentenced to 2 years on each count, and the third count was noll prossed.

A. S. OLDERHAM was sentenced to serve 12 months in jail at the Alamance County, N. C., Court for the offense he committed at Elon, N. C. His father is to settle all claims against him, and therefore we are removing his name from the Awaiting Trial List.

M. A. PACK entered a plea of guilty to a charge of forgery and was given a sentence of four years in the State Prison Farms.

ROBERT QUINN was sentenced to serve 2½ years in the Penitentiary at Moundsville, W. Va., having confessed in court at Clarksburg, W. Va., to the indictment against him for forgery.

LEE RAYMOND. When Raymond was arraigned in Philadelphia, Pa., on April 3, 1918, he pleaded guilty to a charge of forgery, and was given a sentence of 6 months in the Moyamensing Prison, at Philadelphia, where he is now confined.

D. M. ROLL. Prosecution dropped.

META SAFREED pleaded guilty to a charge of forgery and was paroled during good behavior.

JULIA SULLIVAN was sentenced on March 22, 1918, to serve from 1 year to 2 years and 1 month in the women's prison at Auburn, N. Y.

ED. THOMAS has been tried at Miami, Okla., and given a sentence of 90 days in jail.

J. LEROY TOPE was sentenced by the court to pay the costs, fine and to imprisonment for a period of 90 days in the workhouse at Toledo, Ohio; he paid the fine and the costs, and later the workhouse sentence was suspended during good behavior.

ROBERT E. WAGONER, arrested in Detroit, Mich., for forgery, was tried on February 25, 1918, and released on parole, which will expire February 28, 1920. Wagoner is to reimburse the bank in the amount of the loss in installments, and is to report monthly.

BERT WATERS has been convicted of forgery in Erie County, N. Y., but the jury recommended clemency. Therefore, he received a sentence of only 7 months in the Erie County Penitentiary.

CLYDE HAMMER. After the district attorney's office had withdrawn the complaint against Clyde Hammer, the case was reconsidered. He was brought before the Superior Court at Los Angeles, Cal., on April 12, 1918, and admitted having committed the crime he was charged with. The presiding judge then sentenced him to four years in the Ione Reformatory. Last month we published a "removed" article on Clyde Hammer in which we stated he had been released; inasmuch as the case has been reconsidered and the operator has been convicted, we are changing our records accordingly.

AWAITING ACTION

ALLEGED FORGERIES AND SWINDLES

Anderson, W. M., bogus checks, Galveston, Tex.
 Bacon, Floyd C., forgery, Conneaut, Ohio.
 Barker, Charles H., forgery, Pontiac, Ill.
 Barter, E. N., worthless checks, Lewiston, Me.
 Baughman, A. H., swindle, Tulsa, Okla.
 Bazinet, William, forgery, Lewiston, Me.
 Beasley, Ward B., forgery, Chicago, Ill.
 Benson, Fred, forgery, Elgin, Ill.
 Bland, W. F., bogus certificate of deposit, Yale, Okla.
 Blankman, David, forgeries, Boston, Mass.
 Boxley, P. H., bogus certificate of deposit, Hugo, Okla.
 Brock, J. A., forgery, Antlers, Okla.
 Brown, Pearl, forgery, Watertown, S. D.
 Buchanan, Frances, forgery, Pontiac, Ill.
 Buckley, J. W., forgery, Portland, Ore.
 Burger, Otto, forgery, Chester, Pa.
 Burton, Jr., John J., forgery, Prescott, Ariz.
 Campbell, George, forgery, Beckley, W. Va.
 Campbell, R. W., forgery, Greensburg, S. C.
 Carter, Dave, forgery, Houston, Texas.
 Chippenfield, Austin B., forgery, Moundsville, W. Va.
 Churchill, Roy, forgery, Amarillo, Texas.
 Cogswell, A. J., forgery, New York, N. Y.
 Colley, R. B., bogus checks, Jackson, Miss.
 Collum, Belle, forgery, Yazoo City, Miss.
 Colwell, H. H., forgery, Plainview, Texas.

Comstock, W. J., forged indorsement, Detroit, Mich.
 Cooper, C. S., worthless checks, Los Angeles, Cal.
 Cunningham, F. J., Mrs., forgery, Miami, Fla.
 Cunningham, Lloyd V., bogus checks, New Orleans, La.
 Daniel, Russell, forgery, Oklahoma City, Okla.
 Deeds, Fayette M., forgery, New Orleans, La.
 Denly, A. C., forgery, Belsoni, Miss.
 Du Bois, L. E., forgery, Kansas City, Mo.
 Du Pars, Maurice, bogus checks, Philadelphia, Pa.
 Eastep, Kilby, forgery, Johnson City, Tenn.
 Easterbrook, Gus, forgery, Alexandria, La.
 Edgington, H. B., worthless check, Humboldt, Iowa.
 Evans, H. R., bogus certificate of deposit, Ada, Okla.
 Faith, James, forgery, Corona, N. Mex.
 Faulkner, F. P., forgery, Fresno, Cal.
 Ford, Homer Palmore, raised checks, Portland, Ore.
 Ford, Roger Fletcher, swindle, Los Angeles, Cal.
 Frey, Harry, forgery, Des Moines, Iowa.
 Garnett, Chas. H., bogus certificate of deposit, Ada, Okla.
 Garrett, P. R., mortgage swindle, Duncan, Okla.
 Gaylord, Thomas G., raised stock certificates, Cincinnati, Ohio.
 Gibson, Jr., Charles, bogus checks, Willits, Cal.
 Goble, V. R., forged notes, Concordia, Mo.
 Goode, W. H., mortgage swindle, Edmond, Okla.
 Goodyear, W. P., swindle, Cedar Rapids, Ia.
 Gordon, J. C., forgery, Tulsa, Okla.
 Green, Frank F., bogus drafts, Bowling Green, Ky.
 Gross, Harry, raised checks, Columbus, Ohio.
 Gunder, P. A., forgery, Waterloo, Iowa.
 Hansen, Robert, forgery, San Francisco, Cal.
 Harrington, J. W., worthless checks, Ocean Springs, Miss.
 Heard, H. C., bogus checks, Bend, Ore.
 High, Dan, forgery, Tulsa, Okla.
 Hightower, Earnest S., worthless check, Des Moines, Iowa.
 Hix, J. S., bogus certificate of deposit, Ada, Okla.
 Horrigan, J. S., worthless check, Portland, Ore.
 Howard, Felix, forgery, Houston, Texas.
 Hughes, C. K., worthless checks, Beckley, W. Va.
 Jones, J. Greeley, bogus certificates of deposit, Ada, Okla.
 Joyner, W. T., forgery, Eldora, Iowa.
 Keiser, Capt. J. C., worthless checks, New Orleans, La.
 Kelley, George, worthless check, Little Rock, Ark.
 Kerdell, Lillian, forgery, Jacksonville, Fla.
 Kirby, Clifford, worthless checks, Cincinnati, Ohio.
 Knapp, Lena M., forgery, Adrian, Mich.
 Kocker, Emil, forgery, Jersey City, N. J.
 Larson, E. D., forgery, Bountiful, Utah.
 Laub, Lyle T., bogus checks, Indianapolis, Ind.
 Lieber, L. C., forged indorsement, Los Angeles, Cal.
 Lifer, F., forgery, Jackson, Miss.
 Locke, H. A., bogus certified check, Savannah, Ga.
 Long, E. W., forgery, Los Angeles, Cal.
 Mack, J. W., bogus certificate of deposit, Hugo, Okla.
 Mathews, De Leon, forgery, Lake City, S. C.
 McBrier, J. F., forged indorsement, Beckley, W. Va.
 McCarthy, Elmore, forgery, Houston, Texas.
 McClair, Herbert L., forgery, Philadelphia, Pa.
 McClanahan, J. A., forged notes, Concordia, Mo.
 McClure, James M., forgery, Brooklyn, Iowa.
 McMillon, T. A., mortgage swindle, Thorndale, Texas.
 Minor, R. A., forgery, Jacksonville, Fla.
 Moore, L. C., forgery, Greeley, Colo.
 Mullen, Alexander, Rev., bogus drafts, Marietta, Ga.
 Narver, Alfred Forrest, swindle, Salt Lake City, Utah.

Nix, Wyatt L., bogus certificate of deposit, Hugo, Okla.
 Noble, Ralph, forgery, Oklahoma City, Okla.
 O'Donnell, Joseph, worthless checks, San Francisco, Cal.
 O'Neil, J. T., forgery, Wallingford, Conn.
 O'Neil, Walter, bogus certified checks, Schenectady, N. Y.
 Oswald, Arthur F., worthless checks, Los Angeles, Cal.
 Owens, Miles, worthless checks, Portland, Ore.
 Pavlavitz, Ivan, forgery, Akron, Ohio.
 Persch, Donald, bogus checks, Los Angeles, Cal.
 Peterson, Lawrence, forgery, St. Louis, Mo.
 Pettit, Waittie, mortgage swindle, Chelsea, Okla.
 Phippin, Oscar, forgery, Delmar, Del.
 Plunkett, John Francis, swindle, St. Bernard, Ohio.
 Rembert, Julius, forgery, Houston, Texas.
 Robinette, I. T., Mt. Hope, W. Va.
 Rollison, C. A., raised check, Waycross, Ga.
 Roth, Homer F., bogus check, Goshen, Ind.
 Runnells, York, forgery, Houston, Texas.
 Sanden, Fred, forgery, Cut Bank, Mont.
 Scott, Walter A., forgery, Pasco, Wash.
 Searle, Mildred, forgery, Denver, Colo.
 Sevier, A. H., forged note, Wichita, Kan.
 Sexton, O. A., bogus checks, Tulsa, Okla.
 Sexton, Stanley, bogus checks, Tulsa, Okla.
 Sheldon, James E., mortgage swindle, Leesburg, Fla.
 Shoe, George B., forgery, Akron, Ohio.
 Simon, David, forgery, Cincinnati, Ohio.
 Smith, Leroy C., forgery, Highland Park, Ill.
 St. Clair, Robert E., forgery, Los Angeles, Cal.
 Stein, P., bogus checks, Los Angeles, Cal.
 Stewart, D. A., mortgage swindle, Burkburnett, Texas.
 Strong, Charles E., worthless checks, Binghamton, N. Y.
 Stuart, J. F., bogus checks, Americus, Ga.
 Sullivan, John J., worthless check, Cambridge, Mass.
 Sweeney, Frank E., worthless checks, El Paso, Tex.
 Taylor, J. B., attempted swindle, Los Angeles, Cal.
 Van Leuven, Bert, worthless check, Salina, Kan.
 Walger, Henry A., forgery, Wallis, Texas.
 Wanetick, Harry, raised checks, Cleveland, Ohio.
 Ward, Erret, forged drafts, Wichita Falls, Texas.
 Warner, Lon, mortgage swindle, Higgins, Texas.
 Watkins, Jack, forgery, Houston, Texas.
 Weil, M. L., worthless draft, Elko, Nev.
 Wells, L. Reese, forged letter of credit, Kansas City, Mo.
 White, C. J., forgery, Monrovia, Cal.
 Williams, G. H., bogus checks, Lake Providence, La.

Willis, G. S., bogus check, Brooksville, Fla.
 Willman, John W., forged note, Duluth, Minn.
 Winters, M. E., attempted swindle, Wichita Falls, Texas.
 Wisdom, G. C., bogus certificate of deposit, Cushing, Okla.
 Woods, Mingo, forgery, Houston, Texas.
 Young, Ng, forgery, San Francisco, Cal.
 Young, Willie, bogus checks, Columbus, Tex.

BURGLARS AND HOLD-UP ROBBERS

Bennett, Miles E., hold-up, San Francisco, Cal.
 Bergens, J. W., robbery and murder, Point, Texas.
 Carter, Charlie, alleged bank robber, Point, Texas.
 Corsiglia, Joe., hold-up, San Francisco, Cal.
 Embry, Jack, hold-up, Glenwood, Ark.
 Frazier, Archie, hold-up, San Francisco, Cal.
 Frazier, Thomas, hold-up, San Francisco, Cal.
 Hamilton, Al, hold-up, San Francisco, Cal.
 Hester, Wm., burglary, DeQueen, Ark.
 Lewis, Carl, hold-up, Huttig, Ark.
 McKinney, Calvin, robbery, Crowder, Okla.
 Marvin, Harold, robbery, Oronogo, Mo.
 Mitchell, William, hold-up, Taylor, Mo.
 Quattlebaum, Arthur, robbery, El Paso, Ark.
 Quattlebaum, Sid, robbery, El Paso, Ark.
 Rankin, Iola, suspected hold-up, Hugo, Okla.
 Smith, Frank, hold-up, Heavener, Okla.
 Warnix, John, burglary, DeQueen, Ark.
 Warnix, Enoch, burglary, DeQueen, Ark.

STATISTICS OF THE PROTECTIVE DEPARTMENT

| | Awaiting trial August 31, 1917 | Arrested since August 31, 1917 | Arrests in March, 1918 | Total | Convicted | Discharged or acquitted | Fugitive, escaped, insane or died | Awaiting trial |
|----------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------|-------|-----------|----------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------|
| Forgers..... | 108 | 224 | 29 | 253 | 148 | 57 | 13 | 143 |
| Burglars..... | 4 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 4 | ... | ... | 3 |
| Hold-up robbers..... | 24 | 17 | 5 | 22 | 22 | 7 | ... | 16 |
| Sneak thieves..... | ... | 1 | ... | 1 | ... | 1 | ... | ... |
| Total..... | 136 | 245 | 34 | 279 | 174 | 65 | 13 | 162 |

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WARNING

ANOTHER OPERATOR IN ARMY UNIFORM

Richard M. Moore, representing himself to be a soldier, has worked with bogus checks in several states

Our attention was first called to RICHARD M. MOORE the latter part of April, when we were advised by a merchant of Duluth, Minn., that he had been victimized by a bad-check artist wearing the uniform of a private in the Army; he claimed to be connected with 314th Engineers, stationed at Camp Dodge, Iowa. Moore also presented cards which represented him to be a rate clerk with the Oregon Short Line and the Union Pacific Railroads. On April 11, Moore caused a Superior, Wis., member bank to suffer a loss on one of his bogus checks. The operator has also defrauded merchants in the states of Wisconsin, Illinois, Indiana and Michigan. He is a Mason, having answered the challenge in the prescribed way in one of his transactions. His checks are all drawn on the State Bank of Portland, Ore., and are ostensibly signed by Mrs. P. J. Moore, or some similar name, who the operator claims is a relative of his. Banks would do well to be on the lookout for Richard P. Moore. He is described as being 35 years of age, 5 feet 9 inches, 180 pounds; of heavy build; has sandy complexion and blue eyes.

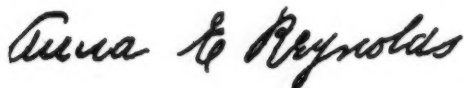


ANNA REYNOLDS

Clever woman operator posing as sister of Arthur Reynolds

Bank officials especially are requested to take notice of the information given in this article. At this time there is a very clever woman operator travelling about the country representing herself to be the sister of George M. and Arthur Reynolds.

This woman uses the name of ANNA REYNOLDS and will always call on an official. She claims she has just discovered that she is short of funds and tells a very plausible story—sometimes she is after a lost nephew, other times she has lost her purse. Anyway, she puts up such a good appearance, that the official usually accepts her draft, drawn against one of the Messrs. Reynolds.



In the November, 1917, issue, page 68, of the JOURNAL Supplement we published an article which gives the exact details of her transaction. She is described as 35 to 40 years of age, 5 feet 5½ inches, 140 pounds, medium stout, florid complexion, dark hair.

D. BAUMER, alias George Tawil, who represents himself to be connected as a salesman with Baumer & DeGross, a firm which is supposed to be located in Chicago, Ill., also with the firm of Tawil & Co., New York City, has defrauded several merchants in Buffalo, N. Y., by means of bogus checks drawn on the Fort Dearborn National Bank of Chicago, Ill., the Corn Exchange Bank, New York City, and the Bankers Trust Co. of Buffalo. Baumer is described as 35 years, 5 feet, 110 pounds, slim, light complexion, blue eyes, light sandy hair, smooth shaven; has a gold tooth on right side of upper jaw; bow-legged; good conversationalist, very neat. On the third finger of his right hand he wears a diamond ring, also another ring with a blue stone, which are soldered together.

C. P. BELTON. We have been advised by a member bank that the above-named party has been obtaining money in Oakland, Berkely and Alamanda, Cal., by passing worthless checks signed variously by Hoyt, Lane, Hubbard, Witt, etc. All checks are written in favor of C. P. Belton, who poses as Lieutenant of the 83d Field Artillery, U. S. A., stationed at Camp Fremont, Cal. No such man is known there.

HARRY T. BOOTH, formerly a bond salesman for the Northern Bond and Mortgage Co. of Seattle, Wash., has defrauded member banks of Okanagon, Wash., and Nome, Alaska, by securing funds on worthless drafts, drawn on the above firm, without authority. Therefore, kindly bear this man's name and description in mind and help our detective agents to locate this man. Booth has sold bonds for this firm throughout Alaska, where he is well known; he is also known along the Pacific Coast, and will probably seek employment with a bond company elsewhere. His description is as follows: 40 to 45 years of age, 5 feet 8 inches, 160 pounds, medium build, medium complexion, black hair; wears nose glasses.

Should Harry T. Booth call on you, learn where he is stopping, and notify the nearest office of our detective agents by wire or telephone.

A. C. BOSWELL is badly wanted on account of his having disposed of live stock on which a member bank at Norman, Okla., held a mortgage. Boswell is also a fugitive from justice on account of having forfeited a bond in Oklahoma City where he was awaiting trial in connection with a boot-legging charge. Description: 30 years of age, 5 feet 10 inches, 130 pounds, slender build, blue eyes, dark chestnut hair, smooth shaven.

GEORGE C. CARLBERG. On April 10, 1918, Carlberg opened an account at a Rockford, Ill., member bank, depositing cash. The following day he made another deposit of cash together with a check in a rather large amount; then he made a withdrawal, cashing a check payable to "Cash." On April 12, he presented a check drawn on the First National Bank of Hammond, Ind., signed Albert Helplewaite, and received

the funds. Later in the same day he presented a check drawn on the Union National Bank of Louisville, Ky., signed Sidney Sorenson, and had that cashed. The three checks presented by Carlberg were returned as bogus, and the bank stands to lose on the transactions. Carlberg is described as about 35 years of age, 5 feet 10 inches, 180 pounds; has a florid complexion and light brown hair.

George E. Carlberg

JOHN COLE made a small deposit in a Philadelphia bank. About thirty days thereafter, he forged the name of a responsible customer of another Philadelphia bank to a check, depositing the same to his account. A day or two afterwards he gave the paying teller in the bank in which he had his account, "the rush act" and succeeded in receiving cash on one of his own checks, leaving a small balance to his credit. Of course the check which he had deposited later turned out to be a complete forgery, and this bank, rather unfortunately, which is a branch of a member bank, but not a member itself, is the loser. Cole immediately went to New York city, and through the National City Bank of New York returned a check for collection against his account. Member banks in New York city and vicinity should be on the lookout for Cole.

John Cole

NICK DE NASSO, during the month of April, victimized a member bank at Portland, Me., through the medium of a forged check. At present the operator is supposed to be in Boston, Mass. He is described as being 28 years, 5 feet 6 inches, 150 pounds, medium build, dark complexion, small black mustache, black hair, Italian.

E. L. HARMON recently defrauded a member bank of Bristow, Okla., by mortgaging stock which he did not own. Harmon called at the member bank with a mortgage on some hogs valued at \$450, on which he wanted to borrow a small amount. As Harmon was well acquainted at the bank, he was able to secure the loan. When the note became due Harmon failed to show up, and it was later learned that he did not own the stock.

FRANK HOBBS succeeded in defrauding a member bank at Fryburg, N. D., by means of a mortgage swindle, he securing a loan on two head of horses which he did not own. He later left the vicinity, deserting his wife, and at the present time his whereabouts are not known, but it is believed he is in Chicago. Our detective representatives are investigating in this connection. Hobbs is described as being 5 feet 10 inches, 175 pounds; has dark hair graying; has even teeth with some gold fillings, is a telephone or electric lineman; is a good mixer and conversationalist.

JAMES HORVATH and JOSEPH KOVACZ, alias Joe Smith. A member bank of Martinsburg, W. Va., reports having been defrauded by these individuals, sustaining a small loss. These two Hungarians presented the pass book of another Hungarian depositor and stated they desired to close out the account. Upon forging the name of the depositor, they

were paid the full amount. About a week later the theft of the depositor's pass book was reported to the bank, whereupon the forgery was discovered. After perpetrating this fraud these two men are supposed to have left for Harrisburg, Pa., at which point our agents are now investigating.

James Horvath is described as follows: 31 years of age, 5 feet 7 inches, 145 pounds, medium build, ruddy complexion, light hair, gray eyes, short stubby reddish mustache; wore faded blue coat, dark trousers and shabby soft hat, yellow button shoes. Peculiarities, teeth large and separated.

Joseph Kovacz is described as follows: 27 years of age, 5 feet 6 or 7 inches, 155 to 160 pounds, face and eyes discolored, bearing evidence of having been in a fight; light hair, smooth shaven; wore a brown suit and cap.

ALVIN HURST. We have been advised by a member bank at San Luis Obispo, Cal., that one Alvin Hurst, formerly employed by F. R. Potter, a customer of the above-named bank, and who was employed at a road house between San Luis Obispo and Pismo Beach, Cal., had passed and forged a check against their customer's account. Hurst is described as 41 years, 5 feet 9 inches, 150 pounds, slender build, blue gray eyes, brown hair, thin in front, light complexion, stubby mustache.

LYLE C. INGALLS, a farm hand, defrauded a member bank at Pepin, Wis., by means of a forged check, he forging the name of his employer. He then disappeared from that vicinity. It has been ascertained he purchased a ticket for St. Paul. Our detective agents are now endeavoring to locate this individual's whereabouts. His home is thought to be in Montana. Ingalls is described as follows: 30 years, 5 feet 4 inches, 125 pounds, light hair, medium complexion, smooth shaven; wore a cap and working clothes.

W. J. McMATH succeeded in defrauding a member bank at Minneapolis, Minn., by means of a worthless check, drawn on the Security National Bank, Watertown, S. D. In this operation he posed as an insurance agent. McMath is described as follow: 55 to 60 years, 5 feet 9 or 10 inches, 140 to 145 pounds, dark hair mixed with gray; wears glasses; thin face, rather long sharp nose.

CHARLES MILLER. This man called at a member bank in Kansas City and stated that he desired to open an account. His account was accepted, he depositing a check payable to Charles Miller, signed George Neisell, drawn on the Fidelity Trust Co., Newark, N. J., at the same time depositing a small sum in cash. Miller was advised that he could not draw on the account until they had received returns from New Jersey. However, on May 9, a firm of local brokers went to the member bank where Miller was carrying his account with two checks given them by Miller, and secured a certified cashier's check. The checks were given the brokers to cover a margin on a little stock Miller had contracted for; and on the same afternoon Miller closed out his account with the brokers and received from them a check. He cashed this check and apparently left Kansas City that night for parts unknown. He wrote the member bank a letter on the stationery of a local hotel, advising them in a curt way that he was leaving for Calgary, Canada. Miller is described as being of Jewish appearance, 35 or 37 years, 5 feet 8 inches, 160 pounds, stocky build, erect carriage, dark hair, olive color complexion, smooth shaven, very nervous in actions and wore a dark business suit.

Charles Miller

WALTER MILLER recently called at a member bank in Kansas City, Mo., and attempted to secure cash for a check drawn on a bank in Seneca, Kans. Later it was determined that this check was a forgery, but in the meantime Miller had disappeared, leaving no line on his present whereabouts. He is about 25 years, 5 feet 6 inches, 130 pounds; has dark complexion and dark hair; has a full round face.

J. H. MYERS. Our attention has been called to an individual using the printed form check of a supposed Mid-West Drill Company, which does not exist. To date he has operated in Salida, Pueblo and Leadville, Colo., drawing his checks on the Colorado National Bank of Denver. The body of his checks is filled out on the typewriter and the name W. Heland is written in as secretary and treasurer of the Mid-West Drill Company. We have no knowledge of any member bank being victimized, but tellers should be on the lookout for this man. He usually secures the indorsement of someone known at the bank. No description is available at present.

WM. A. NEWTON. A man giving the name of Wm. A. Newton, a supposed soldier, wearing the uniform of a sergeant, victimized a member bank at Lamar, Colo., with a bogus check, drawn on the Security Savings Bank of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, dated April 19, 1918. Newton was traced from Lamar, Colo., to Syracuse, Kan., and from there to Dodge City, Kan., where it is believed he left for Hutchinson, Kan. A Kansas City representative of our agents is now investigating at this last point. Newton succeeded in getting into the good graces of the citizens of Lamar by helping in various ways in war work and drilling the Boy Scouts at that point. He is described as 28 years, 6 feet 1 inch, 160 to 170 pounds, slender and soldierly appearance, medium eyes, dark complexion, black hair, combed straight back; dressed in the uniform of a sergeant of the United States Army, with red cord on hat and leather puttees. He has a gold tooth in the front of his upper jaw, and is a good talker.

J. C. O'BRIEN, alias Alex. McGregor, alias H. T. McCauley, has defrauded a member bank of Nashville, Tenn., by means of forged indorsements to stolen certificates of deposit. He called at the member bank, and presented for payment a certificate of deposit, drawn on the Bank of Galena, Mo., payable to T. J. O'Brien, and, after being introduced by a customer, the member paid over the funds. Following this transaction, this individual then left for collection two more certificates on Minneapolis banks. The member became suspicious, and wired the interested banks, and learned that the paper in question had been stolen. The operator is described as 35 years, 5 feet 5 inches, 130 pounds, dark complexion, rather prominent cheekbones; speaks with a decided accent either Irish or Scotch.

WALTER G. PAULLEY. Members are warned against the operations of one Walter G. Paulley, who defrauded a member bank at Albuquerque, N. Mex., through securing funds on a worthless draft. Paulley secured employment with the Sinclair Refining Co., Chicago, Ill., and while on a trip in the West called on their local representatives in Trinidad and Akron, Colo., also at their bank stating that he had been authorized to draw on his employers for necessary funds. The Colorado banks secured indorsers, therefore, suffered no loss. Paulley is said to be on parole from Wisconsin, where he was arrested for an offense somewhat similar to his present operations. The El Paso representative and Chicago office of our detective agents are investigating. Paulley is described as follows: 28 years, 155 pounds, 5 feet 8½ inches; medium build, fair complexion, dark eyes, brown hair.

J. ROBERTS, alias O. L. Roy, alias J. A. Monroe, alias J. M. Ramsey, alias J. M. Cummings, recently swindled two member banks in Tulsa, Okla. Roberts opened an account at one member by depositing currency, later he called and cashed a check, also withdrawing his account, by going to a different teller. This individual also opened an account at another member by depositing cash and a small check, later drawing the entire amount. The check proved to be bogus. At one bank Roberts claimed to be an oil man and gave his address as General Delivery, and at the other stated he was in the employ of the Frisco Railway Company. He is described as being about 28 to 30 years, 5 feet 8 or 9 inches, 140 to 150 pounds, dark complexion, dark hair; dressed like a farmer.

ALEXANDER RODINE, a Frenchman, has started on a swindling tour. He is a very refined gentleman, consequently comes in contact with the better class of ladies who are financially able to take private lessons in the French language. These ladies generally have a bank account, and pay him for services, often in advance, using checks, therefore he has the opportunity to study and familiarize himself with their signatures. He operated lately in Memphis, Tenn., and so far two cases have been reported to us, where he defrauded two Memphis member banks. He is supposed to have gone to New Orleans. He poses as a French officer, who has been wounded at Verdun, and came here to recuperate on leave of absence. He is described as follows: 40 years, 5 feet 8½ inches, 135 pounds, medium build, dark complexion, black hair, and wears a black French mustache. He carries a cane, and walks with a swagger, usually wearing a neat black suit with light stripe. He is extremely polite and polished.



HENRY SAFFLES. A Cleveland, Tenn., member bank cashed a check in the amount of \$60.90 for a man known by them to have worked at a local dairy. Later it was learned that the check in question had been originally issued for \$6.90, and the payee, one Henry Saffles, had left the vicinity. Our Atlanta special representative assigned one of his investigators to work on this case, and the operator was traced to Colburn, Ala. From there it is believed he went to Gadsden, Ala. This man is 19 years, 5 feet 7 inches, 135 pounds; has black hair and brown eyes; closes his left eye while in conversation.

MAY SAGE secured a position in Philadelphia with a wealthy lady as a child's nurse. She remained with this family for about thirty days and left, severing her connection very suddenly on April 20, 1918. It is alleged that she stole one or more of the printed checks of the mother of the lady by whom she was employed. On the day she left her employer, it is alleged she went to the Bellevue Stratford Hotel, Philadelphia, and issued a bearer check on this member bank, forging the name of her employer's mother to the same and also forging the indorsement of her employer on the back thereof, in a very clever manner. While waiting in the parlor of a local hotel, the operator called a Western Union messenger and dispatched him with the check to the member bank. The messenger arrived at the bank just before closing time on Saturday. The forgery being a clever one, the teller passed it without question and enclosed the cash in an envelope, delivering the same to the messenger, who in turn delivered it to

the forger, awaiting him at the hotel. Investigation indicates almost conclusively that the operator in this case will soon appear in the vicinity of San Francisco, Cal., and probably engage upon further operations there. May Sage is described as from 40 to 45 years, 5 feet 8 inches, 200 pounds, ruddy complexion, hazel eyes, hair dark, streaked with gray, well dressed, well educated, a fine linguist, speaking Japanese, Portuguese and several other languages. She is said to be associated with a man she claims to be her husband, who is described as undersize, 140 pounds, walks with a limp. This operator claims to have been employed in the Crocker family as a companion and to have traveled extensively abroad with them. She talks a great deal of the bright lights in New York city and is very familiar with San Francisco and that vicinity. Below we are reproducing the writing which appears on the forged check.

Beaver
Three Hundred fifty

RAMESES R. SWAAR, alias Ray Swaar, has succeeded in swindling three member banks of Los Angeles, Cal., by presenting a personal card on which was printed "With Bank of Commerce and Trust Company, Coronado, Cal.," in each instance using a customer's draft, drawing them on demand on the Coronado bank. The above-named bank is no longer in existence, having been consolidated with another local institution. He gave his address as 407-9 Ninth Street, Coronado, Cal., which proved to be a vacant lot. Swaar was arrested in 1916 for issuing worthless checks. Our agents are making every effort to apprehend Swaar. The California Bankers Association is co-operating in financing the investigation.

GEORGE WALKER. A young man using the name George Walker called on a member bank in Chicago and stated that a depositor had sent him for a blank check book. He was given a book of blank checks. Later it developed that the depositor had not sent him. Walker has operated against local merchants and a Chicago member bank. He also uses the name of Wm. J. Hinkley, and is described as being 19 years; 5 feet 8 or 9 inches, 120 pounds, of slender build; has dark complexion, dark eyes and dark hair.

K. N. WEEKS. Co-operating with the Washington Bankers Association, our detective agents are endeavoring to cause the arrest of Weeks, who defrauded a member of the above-mentioned association, and also this association by means of a bill of lading swindle. The bank had been in the habit of advancing funds to Weeks on his bills of lading covering various shipments of grain, etc. On each occasion Weeks was prompt in taking up his notes. The last transaction took place about thirty days ago, and when the note became due, the bank was unable to reach the customer. It was later ascertained that the shipper of the grain covered by the note had attached the shipment for non-payment, and Weeks seeing the difficulty he had fallen into, decided it was the best policy to disappear. He is described as 45 years, 6 feet, 170 pounds, slender build, brown hair, bald on top; brown mustache, wears tortoise shell rimmed spectacles with heavy lens; Norwegian by birth.

R. L. WOODY. A member bank at Hereford, Texas, recently reported having lost through the operations of one R. L. Woody, who succeeded in obtaining funds on a chattel mortgage on several head of cattle, which later investigation proved were not his property. This is said to be not his first

offense and the member bank will prosecute to the full extent of the law. Our El Paso representative is investigating the movements of this individual. His description is as follows: 21 years, 6 feet; has light complexion, blue eyes (weak, wears glasses) and brown hair; is stoop-shouldered; has sharp features and large ears.



D. ED. YOST

D. ED. YOST. This individual defrauded a member bank of Pittsburgh, Pa., out of a large amount of money, by using bogus checks. Yost was formerly in the automobile business in Pittsburgh, and is very familiar with the "Moon" and "Crow-Elkhart" automobiles. It is believed that he has gone west and may be found representing an automobile concern. D. Ed. Yost is described as 39 years, 5 feet 11 inches, 200 pounds, stout build, florid complexion, thick, brown hair, rather wavy, brown eyes and smooth shaven.

J. W. YOUNG swindled a member bank at Coalgate, Okla., by mortgaging property which he did not have, later leaving for parts unknown. He is described as being about 5 feet 6 inches, has blue eyes, sandy red hair, freckled face, small mark on left side of nose, good dresser.

GENERAL

CERTIFIED CHECK OPERATOR TAKEN

"Dandy Dick" Richards, former Sing Sing inmate, again in trouble

For the past month a New York city member bank has been busily engaged in returning checks to various merchants and hotels which bore the forged certification stamp of their institution. From all indications, the operator was making a nice "clean up." Our agents, upon being requested to take steps to offset this nuisance, were successful in securing a lead

as to the supposed movements of the individual, whose true identity was unknown to them. By following this lead and anticipating Richards' movements, they succeeded in having the operator walk into their trap. To their surprise, they recognized the operator to be the former president of the Mutual Welfare League of Sing Sing, and a criminal who has passed 27 years of his 42 in state penitentiaries. He has used the following aliases. Cornelius L. Donovan (true name), alias C. J. Ryan, alias C. J. Reise, alias C. J. Seares, etc. His description is 42 years, 5 feet 3 inches, 92 pounds, slender build, smooth shaven, dark gray hair.

VALERIA SAVINGS BANK HOLD-UP

Scott Good and Earl Lalleveur implicated in the hold-up of Valeria, Iowa, bank arrested

On April 24, 1918, a man about 28 years entered the Valeria Savings Bank, Valeria, Iowa, covering the cashier with a large caliber revolver and forcing him to put up his hands. The man, who was wearing khaki union-suits, a cap and yellow automobile goggles, then gathered up all the loose currency, forced the cashier to go into the vault, and left the bank. It was learned that there was another man outside with an automobile, presumably a Hudson Super-Six. The two then drove away from the bank and out of Valeria at high speed. Several posses were sent out in search of the robbers. The Des Moines representative of our detective agents was called in to work on the case by the Iowa Bankers Association, the interested bank being a member of that association, but a non-member of this association. All near-by towns were notified. On April 27, the sheriff of Newton arrested one SCOTT GOOD, who has confessed and implicated one "Dutch" Cross as the leader, and also one EARL LALLEVEUR. The latter was also arrested by the sheriff. "Dutch" Cross is alleged to have taken the auto and his share of the money, stating he was going to Wisconsin. Good and Lalleveur are now being held awaiting trial.

BANK BURGLARS IN WYOMING AND VICINITY

During the night of Tuesday, May 7, 1918, an attempt was made to burglarize a member bank at Rawlins, Wyo., by cutting a hole in the roof of the bank. Nothing was secured, but the banks in that vicinity should be very careful as to any sheep herders or strangers, who apply to them for information relative to work in their vicinity. The description of the man who it is believed committed this attempt is: about 50 years, 5 feet 10 inches, 165 pounds; of slender build; has dark complexion, dark mustache.

H. E. ARNOLD. A member bank at El Paso, Texas, recently called the attention of our local detective agents' representative to the operations of one H. E. Arnold, who had given a check on them to a local merchant in Socorro, N. Mex. According to information obtainable, the operator calls on tea and coffee merchants as the representative of a wholesale house in the same line, and after making a sale, induces the merchant to cash his check. The latter proves worthless. It is said that he also succeeds in obtaining a small advance payment on the order. As yet, he has not operated against member banks. No description is available at this time.

FREDERICK O. BAILEY, alias D. A. Graham, whose photograph appeared in the May, 1918, JOURNAL Supplement, was tried before Judge Stanton in the Criminal Court of Baltimore, Md., on April 10, 1918, and pleaded guilty to eleven charges of false pretenses. He was sentenced to eighteen months in the Maryland Penitentiary in each case, the sentences to run concurrently.

P. C. BRANT, alias P. C. Grant. This man, wearing the uniform of a soldier, has secured cash in Seattle and Tacoma, Wash., on bogus checks drawn on the Vancouver National Bank. A member bank has been defrauded, and our detective agents at Seattle have started an investigation, the cost of which will be prorated between the Washington Bankers Association and this Association.

B. C. CAMP has defrauded a Clarksburg, W. Va., member by means of forged checks against their customers' accounts. He is a young married man, but has deserted his wife. Following his fraudulent transactions at Clarksburg, he fled to Thomas, W. Va., where all trace of him has been lost. He is described as young, 5 feet 8 inches, 150 pounds, fair complexion, light brown hair, blue or steel gray eyes, is a barber by profession, but has worked as a laborer.

JOSEPH E. EASTMAN. A man using this name is now engaged in drawing bogus cashier checks against the Central State Bank, Omaha, Neb., a non-existent institution. No description of the swindler is available at this time.

A. C. GILLETTE, alias W. H. Cousins, alias R. A. Goodwin, alias T. A. Packer, etc., is operating in the southern states with checks drawn on the Diamond National Bank, Pittsburgh, Pa., purporting to have been issued by Wilson Brothers Lumber Company. This firm has no account in the bank mentioned, therefore, the checks are bogus. His last operation took place in New Orleans. Gillette's description is as follows: 25 years, 5 feet 6 inches, 125 pounds, blonde hair, smooth shaven.

SAMUEL GOLDSTEIN, alias Earl Harvey, is at this time engaged in issuing worthless checks against the United Banking and Savings Company of Cleveland, Ohio. He was last heard of in Chicago, Ill. Goldstein is 5 feet 8 to 10 inches, 150 pounds; has dark complexion, dark brown eyes and black wavy hair, combed straight back and short; four upper front teeth are bridged and held by a gold tooth on each side; little finger of left hand amputated at first joint.

JOHN W. HARRIS, alias C. E. Collett, has defrauded a merchant in St. Louis, Mo., by means of a check drawn on the Third National Bank of St. Louis. Harris made a purchase of paint and presented the check, receiving the change in cash. He gave an address to which the paint should be delivered, which subsequently proved to be fictitious. Harris is 35 or 40 years, 6 feet, 150 to 160 pounds, slender build, medium complexion, sandy hair, long sandy mustache, slow talker. He appeared to know the paint business.

WILLIAM J. HINKLEY is "floating" bogus checks in Chicago, Ill. Several merchants and a member bank have been victimized. The checks are on the paper of the National City Bank of Chicago, in which institution Hinkley never had an account. The operator's description is as follows: 19 years, 5 feet 8 or 9 inches, 120 pounds, slender build, dark complexion, dark eyes, dark hair.

C. G. HORNSBERGER obtained employment with a Seattle oil broker as a salesman on a commission basis in March, 1918, and later reported that he had sold 10,000 shares of stock to a real estate man at Issaquah, Wash., tendering a check payable to the broker. The check purported to have

been signed by the customer, and was drawn on a member bank at Issaquah, Wash., and evidently had been stolen from the office of the real estate man. An advance of cash was secured from the broker on the check, which was returned marked "forgery." It would be well to post your local real estate, and broker depositors to be on the lookout for this criminal; it may save them money, and may also be the means of locating him. A warrant will be sworn out by the broker of Seattle for his arrest. He has not operated against any bank to our knowledge. Description of this operator is as follows: 35 years, 5 feet 10 inches, 150 pounds, medium build, fair complexion, smooth shaven, wears large shell rimmed spectacles.

C. G. Hornsberger.

CHAS. JACKSON, alias A. H. Bell, alias W. R. Hunter, alias E. Williams, is engaged in drawing checks against the North End State Bank of Wichita, Kan., also against the Bank of Topeka, Topeka, Kan., in which institutions he has no account. This swindler has been operating in Augusta, El Dorado, Arkansas City, Hutchinson and Topeka; in each instance it is evident that individuals rather than banks have been his victims. No description is available at this time.

CHARLES JACKSON and CLAUDE JACKSON are now operating in the state of California with bogus checks drawn on the First National Bank of Oxnard, Cal. One writes the checks, while the other passes them. Thus far only merchants and individuals have lost. A description of these two men is not available at this time.

G. B. KIETH'S troubles started when he drew a draft on his sister in Roswell, N. Mex., having a friend indorse it, and secured the cash. The draft was not honored, which left Kieth in debt. After a time Kieth wrote out a check in favor of his friend and endeavored to settle his indebtedness in that way. Due to there being a new paying teller on duty, the Houston, Texas, bank, on which the check was drawn, honored it. Our Houston detective agents made an investigation and located Kieth; he admitted writing the check, whereupon he was placed under arrest. The following day the district attorney advised that under the state laws of Texas no criminal charge could be brought against Kieth, as the check was drawn for a debt, and the only thing that could be done would be to give the operator a lecture, instruct him to make restitution and then release him. That procedure was followed.

JOE LOEMAN. A Denver, Colo., member cashed a check for an individual giving the name of Joe Loeman. Later developments proved that the signature of the depositor had been forged, thereby causing the bank to suffer a loss. Our detective agents at Denver will make an investigation. The operator is described as 25 years, 5 feet 8 inches, 150 pounds.

CAPT. LEO LYCHE, alias Leo Steptoe (F. W. Humphries, true name). In the May JOURNAL Supplement we published an article relative to the operations of this man, and we now take pleasure in advising that he was arrested in Louisville, Ky., at a hotel, through information furnished by our agents. He was turned over to the military authorities at Camp Zachary Taylor, Louisville, Ky., and will be tried on charges of desertion and impersonating an army officer.

FRED L. LYNN. Recently a Birmingham, Ala., member bank cashed a worthless check for a small amount on the

strength of one of their depositor's signatures as indorser. It later developed that this criminal had given the check in payment of a bill and the depositor was an innocent loser. Lynn was located at Tuscaloosa, Ala., and arrested, but the depositor would not prosecute, as Lynn immediately made restitution.

H. F. MILLER, alias A. F. Scott, alias D. F. Deen, alias I. G. Gates, alias W. A. Jaccard. A young man using these names has been passing bogus checks throughout Kansas. These checks are drawn on a member bank of Kansas City, Mo., and are ostensibly issued by the National Aluminum Utensil Co., signed R. C. Langley, Treasurer. The checks used are lithographed and are typewritten, a protectograph being used for inserting the amount. No member bank, so far as known, has been victimized. The party is described as being a young man, about 6 feet, of light complexion, well dress; wore light-colored raincoat and soft crushed hat.

G. Y. OLIVER, alias A. S. Kelly, is drawing bogus checks against the Commonwealth National Bank, Kansas City, Mo., bearing the signature of the "Kansas City Tool & Drill Company," a non-existent concern. At least two of these checks were recently cashed by individuals in El Reno and Chickasha, Okla. No description of the operator is available at this time.

JOHN PALLIN. This party is representing himself to be an employee of the Standard Oil Company of Honolulu, and is obtaining money under false pretenses by cashing worthless checks on Honolulu banks.

ESTELLE R. PURDY, alias Miss S. K. Forte, alias Jane I. Porter, was again arrested at Baltimore, Md., charged with passing a bogus check drawn on a member bank at Baltimore, in this instance using the name of Jane I. Porter. She was arrested on May 8, given a hearing before Justice Daley in the Western Police Station, who committed her to jail in default of bail for action of the criminal court. This woman's previous operations were reported in the JOURNAL Supplement, December, 1917. In other cases, she has managed to furnish bail for her appearance, then succeeding in settling her case out of court. As this woman is a habitual offender, and when short of funds will not hesitate to operate against a member bank wherever she may be, we would particularly direct attention to her at this time.

Miss E. R. Purdy

MRS. M. RANDALL. A woman using this name is wanted by the Police Department of Baltimore, Md., on the charge of passing bogus checks drawn on a Baltimore member bank. A number of merchants have been defrauded by means of bogus checks by this operator. Mrs. Randall accompanied by her husband and two children (boys), one three years old, the other seven months old, resided in Baltimore for a short time, stating that they were from Boston, Mass. After issuing a number of bogus checks they left the city without divulging their destination.

Mrs. M. Randall is described as follows: 29 years, 5 feet 11 inches, slender built, fair complexion, dark hair, brown eyes; wore a checked suit, blue straw hat and tan shoes. A striking characteristic is her rapid manner of speech.

Mr. Randall is described as 35 years, 5 feet 10½ inches, slender build, fair complexion, light hair, small reddish mustache.

CHARLES SHERMAN, alias Roy McCormick, whose operations have been reported in another issue of this JOURNAL, pleaded guilty, and the judge paroled him to a certain division in the Canadian Army, he having enlisted in that Army before his arrest. It will be remembered that this operator defrauded a Cleghorn, Iowa, bank which is a member of the Iowa Bankers Association, but a non-member of this Association. In behalf of the bank's membership in the first-named association our detective agents took up the case, and located the operator in the Exhibition Camp, Ontario, Can. He was placed under arrest, and returned to Iowa for trial.

JAMES G. SMITH, alias C. W. Walker, alias William Hay. A Florence, Ala., member on May 4, 1918, paid cash to this criminal on a worthless check for a large amount. His method of operation is to open an account with some bank by making cash deposits in small amounts, and then attempt to draw against it. He will deposit several small checks purporting to come from other towns in payment of debts. As soon as he deposits these checks he will immediately make a check payable to himself for almost the full amount that he is supposed to have in the bank, and then disappear. This operator is described as follows: 40 years, 5 feet 7 inches, 160 pounds, blue eyes, ruddy complexion, small grayish mustache, curled; heavy build, chestnut hair, high cheek bones, shoulders stooped, unusually long arms, and dresses as a working man, wearing blue coat and vest, and gray striped trousers.

EDWARD TAYLOR (true name, Edward Thomas Dayton). Representing himself to be Lieutenant-Commander Edward Taylor, this individual was very successful in finding victims in Baltimore, Md., and New York city. Taylor became very much attached to one of the chorus girls belonging to the Winter Garden show, "Doing Our Bit," and evidently found the cost of high living too much for his salary as a first-class machinist's mate, so he resorted to the act of writing no-fund checks to cover the cost of his elaborate parties.

Things went well with Taylor until the Federal authorities became suspicious. They investigated him and failing to find a record of any naval officer of his name, caused his arrest, whereupon it was discovered that he was a deserter. Dayton, alias Taylor, is now being held at the Navy Yard, awaiting court-martial.

LOUIS WERNER, alias Charles Singleton, bank robber and murderer, who with Walter Fazende was arrested in New Orleans on February 15, 1918, and indicted for the murder of City Patrolman Conners, was tried in New Orleans on May 1, in Section B of the Criminal Court, and a verdict to hang was returned. His accomplice, Walter Fazende received a life sentence.

JOHN J. WILSON. This party has been cashing checks along the Pacific Coast, drawn on the Utah Savings & Trust Company of Salt Lake City, Utah, which checks have been returned as worthless. Wilson claims to be state manager for California, Colorado and Utah for the Employers Indemnity Corporation of Kansas City, Mo. His card reads: "Western General Agency, 210 Utah Savings & Trust Building, Salt Lake City, Utah." Wilson is described as rather short, about 5 feet 7 inches, 150 to 160 pounds, florid complexion, reddish hair, wears glasses with thick dark rims; good dresser.

OKLAHOMA CITY REPRESENTATIVE

For the information of member banks in the vicinity of Oklahoma City, we wish to advise that our detective agents

have assigned L. F. Squires as their special representative at that point. He is prepared to take up our cases for the members, and may be reached by writing or telephoning, care of the Oklahoma Bankers Association, suite 908, Colcord Building.

BANK BURGLARIZED; BONDS STOLEN

Burglars entered the bank of a member at Creston, Ohio, On Saturday, May 18, 1918, but failed to gain entrance to the vault. However, they stole twenty-five safety deposit boxes which contained bonds and other papers owned by customers of the bank. Those that the bank has been able to obtain a record of up to the present time are listed below, with the exception of seven U. S. Liberty Bonds, which are listed in another article:

Coupon Bond No. 48.—Brunswick Twp. Medina Co., State of Ohio, due October 1, 1920 (Road Improvement Bond)—\$500.

Coupon Bond No. 49.—Brunswick Twp. Medina Co., State of Ohio, due October 1, 1921 (Road Improvement Bond)—\$500.

Coupon Bond No. 12.—Van Wert Co., State of Ohio, due September 15, 1927 (Road Improvement Bond)—\$500.

Coupon Bond No. 291.—Cleveland & Elyria Electric Railroad Co. Gold Bond, 6 per cent., due August 1, 1920—\$500.

Coupon Bond No. 319.—Cleveland & Elyria Electric Railroad Co. Gold Bond, 6 per cent., due August 1, 1920—\$500.

Coupon Bond No. 10.—Village of Burton, Ohio, due October 1, 1922—\$500.

Any bank that obtains any information in regard to any of the above will kindly communicate the information to the nearest office of our detective representatives, who will immediately make an investigation.

CORRECTION MADE

In the April, 1918, issue of the JOURNAL Supplement we published an article relative to the operations of a character known in the vicinity of Lake Charles, La., as "Press." Through an error this article was headed as W. J. Quick. No reflection whatsoever was intended against Mr. Quick's integrity, as it was his signature that was forged to the check used in the transaction in question, consequently Mr. Quick's name had to be used as an alias of "Press."

CORRECTION

In the May, 1918, JOURNAL Supplement we published an article concerning the operations of E. D. Withington. In this article, through an error on our part while compiling the data for the printers, we permitted the photograph of an individual known as Thomas F. Sherwood to be inserted in the place of Withington. Through this error we not only confused our readers but also cast a reflection upon an innocent man. Therefore we take this method of rectifying a mistake.

LOST LIBERTY BONDS

List of U. S. Liberty Bonds lost by our members

For the information of our members, we are publishing the following list of numbers of U. S. Liberty Bonds of the three issues that have been reported to us as either lost or stolen. Any information concerning these bonds will be appreciated.

Should they come to your notice, kindly notify this department immediately.

FIRST 3½ PER CENT. BONDS, DUE 1947

| Number | Amount | Number | Amount | Number | Amount |
|--------|--------|---------|--------|--------|--------|
| 140086 | \$50 | 140116 | \$50 | 65546 | \$100 |
| 140087 | 50 | 1031339 | 50 | 65547 | 100 |
| 140095 | 50 | 1031347 | 50 | 19070 | 500 |
| 140096 | 50 | 1031355 | 50 | 19071 | 500 |
| 140097 | 50 | 1031356 | 50 | 19072 | 500 |
| 140098 | 50 | 140140 | 100 | 19073 | 500 |
| 140099 | 50 | 140141 | 100 | 19074 | 500 |
| 140100 | 50 | 140142 | 100 | 19075 | 500 |
| 140101 | 50 | 140143 | 100 | 19076 | 500 |
| 140102 | 50 | 140144 | 100 | 19077 | 500 |
| 140103 | 50 | 65533 | 100 | 19078 | 500 |
| 140104 | 50 | 65534 | 100 | 134655 | 500 |
| 140105 | 50 | 65535 | 100 | 223003 | 1,000 |
| 140106 | 50 | 65536 | 100 | 223004 | 1,000 |
| 140107 | 50 | 65537 | 100 | 223005 | 1,000 |
| 140108 | 50 | 65538 | 100 | 223006 | 1,000 |
| 140109 | 50 | 65539 | 100 | 223007 | 1,000 |
| 140110 | 50 | 65540 | 100 | 223008 | 1,000 |
| 140111 | 50 | 65541 | 100 | 223009 | 1,000 |
| 140112 | 50 | 65542 | 100 | 223010 | 1,000 |
| 140113 | 50 | 65543 | 100 | 223011 | 1,000 |
| 140114 | 50 | 65544 | 100 | 223012 | 1,000 |
| 140115 | 50 | 65545 | 100 | | |

FIRST 4 PER CENT. CONVERTED, DUE 1947

| Number | Amount | Number | Amount | Number | Amount |
|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| 540340 | \$50 | 540345 | \$50 | 586571 | \$100 |
| 540341 | 50 | 540346 | 50 | 99192 | 500 |
| 540342 | 50 | 540347 | 50 | 99193 | 500 |
| 540343 | 50 | 540348 | 50 | 99194 | 500 |
| 540344 | 50 | 540349 | 50 | 99195 | 500 |
| | | 586570 | 100 | | |

SECOND 4 PER CENT. BONDS, DUE 1942

| Number | Amount | Number | Amount | Number | Amount |
|---------|--------|---------|--------|---------|--------|
| 477236 | \$50 | 5446723 | \$50 | 6955103 | \$50 |
| 679526 | 50 | 5446724 | 50 | 6955104 | 50 |
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THIRD 4½ PER CENT. BONDS, DUE 1928

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ARRESTED

NEW HOLLAND, ILL., BANK BURGLARY

J. B. Wilson arrested in Granite City, Ill.—
companion escaped

On April 7, 1918, between 12 and 1 A. M. the New Holland State Bank, at New Holland, Ill., was burglarized and \$450 in cash was secured. The following day, two men riding on an Illinois Traction car in Granite City, Ill., attracted the attention of the conductor because they carried bank money bags. He called the police, but one of the men got away. The other gave the name of J. B. WILSON, and has been identified as one of the two strangers who got off of a train at New Holland, Ill., about 6:30 P. M. on Saturday, April 6, 1918. It has also been learned that Wilson, under the name of James

McBride, served a term for burglary in the Indiana State Reformatory. He has been bound over to the Logan County, Ill., grand jury under bond.



J. B. WILSON

A search is now being made by our detective agents for a suspect known to them, who is supposed to be a boon companion of Wilson, and who fits the description of the man who escaped from the Granite City police on April 8. The man now being sought is described as being 24 years, 5 feet 6 or 7 inches, 140 pounds; has ruddy complexion and dark hair; is bow-legged.

ARREST PRIVATE DETECTIVE

Correspondence school detective taken on forgery charge

Many of you have seen advertisements that appear in various magazines offering to instruct you how to become a good detective. By chance CARL L. GIROUX saw one of these advertisements, and being a contributor to the dime novel variety of literature, he enrolled in one of the classes that was just forming and was soon graduated a full-fledged detective. Inasmuch as Giroux resided in a small town in northern New York, he found it necessary to come to New York city to ply his profession. He found that many others of the same occupation had preceded him to the city, thereby covering the demand. Finding it necessary to earn a living, he secured employment with a local hotel as a "kitchen mechanic." In this position he failed to find the excitement that he had expected to find in the detective business and, furthermore, the pay was not just to his liking, therefore he hit upon the novel plan (his detective ability beginning to show) of stealing a blank check from his employer and forging his signature to same. He appeared at a member bank with this check, but the bank employee, upon sizing him up, became suspicious, whereupon they phoned the maker and learned the true facts of the case. Giroux was detained until an officer could reach the bank.

Following his arrest, Giroux was searched and on him was found a loaded revolver, a forged pistol permit and a cheap detective's badge.

He is described as: 19 years, 5 feet 10 inches, slender build, dark complexion, medium dark hair.

CHECK KITERS APPREHENDED

HARRY LORANCE, alias Harry Lawrence (true name, Chas. Phillips), and P. K. MARTIN, alias Paul Phillips (true

name, Frank O. Sincafoose). These two individuals were engaged in the check "kiting" game, and after traveling throughout the states of Oklahoma and Texas, they finally fell victims to our detective agents' endeavors. While the special representative of our agents, located at El Paso, Tex., was engaged in warning the banks in his city of the operations of this pair,



HARRY LORANCE

he noticed in one of the banks a man answering the description of Lorance in every way, even to the working clothes of a railroad engineer. This man was at that time opening a new account with a bogus check drawn on an out-of-town bank. Our agent permitted Lorance to complete this transaction, and after warning the member of the true nature of the deal, he placed the man under surveillance and followed him to another bank where the same sort of transaction was made.

Following this, Lorance was placed under arrest. He refused to make any statement, consequently making it necessary for our agents to search for his baggage. The search was successful in two ways, Lorance's companion was located and arrested, and when the baggage was searched considerable damaging evidence was found.

Inasmuch as the Houston, Texas, police had a prior claim on Lorance, he was turned over to them. Sincafoose being a parole violator from the Federal Prison and the cases against him being weak, he was returned to the Federal Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kan., to complete his term. Lorance is described as: 33 years, 5 feet 11 inches, 178 pounds, muscular build, light sallow complexion, light hair, long face and square chin. Sincafoose is described as: 22 years, 5 feet 11 inches, sallow complexion, brown eyes, medium dark hair; wears glasses.

HABITUAL HOLD-UP MAN

Edwin Von Walden again captured

Acting on information received from the Ohio authorities, the New York police located EDWIN VON WALDEN, alias Jack Evans, registered at a local hotel, where they effected his arrest for holding up the First National Bank of Madisonville, Ohio.

Von Walden has had a rather checkered career. Our records show that on August 5, 1916, he in company with another man held up a non-member bank of Florence, Neb. Later in the month he held up a San Francisco member bank, but was captured a short while afterward. For this crime he received

a sentence of 10 years in the California State Penitentiary at Folsom, but before being sent to that institution he was taken to the Stockton State Hospital for the Insane for observation purposes. While at this point he escaped.

On April 2, 1918, a lone man entered the First National Bank, Madisonville, Ohio, and held up the only employee. Following the crime, the picture of Von Walden was identified and steps taken to locate him. In this the police were successful and Von Walden has been returned for trial.

WALTER H. APPLETON. In July, 1917, this individual opened an account in a member bank of Greenfield, Mass., by depositing \$5 to the credit of his wife. This account was undisturbed until April 17, 1918, when the member received the bank book, together with an order for the sum of \$3,000, purporting to be signed by Appleton's wife, the same having been deposited in a Manchester, N. H., bank for collection. However, the bank book, instead of showing a deposit of \$5, indicated \$5,000; the figures having been very neatly and cleverly raised. Our detective agents at Boston instituted an investigation, which resulted in the arrest of Appleton at Manchester, N. H., on April 24, at which time he made a confession of his guilt. He was returned to Greenfield for prosecution. Appleton is described as being 30 years, 5 feet 6 inches, 160 pounds; of heavy build; has light complexion; smooth shaven.

H. E. BOZE is awaiting trial, on a charge of forgery, at Yakima, Wash., he having been arrested at Dalhart, Texas, the latter part of March by the local authorities. He operated with stolen checks of the Morey Mercantile Co., Denver, Colo. Boze defrauded a member bank of Sunnyside, Wash., in December, 1916, and others on forged paper. This criminal's arrest is the result of the efforts of the Seattle and Denver offices of our detective agents, together with the efforts of Sheriff W. P. Murphy of Yakima, Wash., who is especially to be commended



H. E. BOZE

for his untiring efforts to land this criminal behind the bars. H. E. Boze is 36 years old; 5 feet 5½ inches; 145 pounds; has brown eyes and dark brown hair.

FRANK P. CASALE and GRACE INGRAM. On May 9, 1918, a member bank at St. Louis, Mo., telephoned the office of our detective agents there and stated that they had been defrauded out of a small amount by paying a check which subsequently proved to be a forgery. Our detective agents immediately started an investigation and on the same day located Frank P. Casale, who admitted giving the check to Grace Ingram, a girl friend of his, to have cashed. He maintained his innocence, however, stating that he had received the check from a man by the name of "G. Montague" as a loan. He said that he only knew Montague about a month, did not know his address or anything about him. His whole story was so unsatisfactory that it was decided to hold him. Warrants have been issued against Frank P. Casale and Grace Ingram, charg-

ing them with second degree forgery, and they are now in jail awaiting trial, being unable to furnish bond. Casale is 21 years, 5 feet 10 inches, 180 pounds, stocky build, blotched complexion, black eyes, dark curly hair, lower teeth bluish, fast talker, an Italian by birth and a chauffeur by occupation. Grace Ingram's description is not available at this writing.

KONSTANTZ CHRUL. A member bank of Akron, Ohio, recently advised our detective agents that they had suffered a loss on a check issued by an insurance company in payment of a sick claim. The check was mailed to Akron, and was then evidently stolen, for it was deposited with a bank at Akron for collection, bearing the forged indorsement of the payee. It was drawn on a New York city member bank and paid by them. After two months the indorsement was found to be a forgery, and the check was returned to Akron. After working on the case for a time our detective agents were able to locate a man named Konstantz Chrul at Cleveland, Ohio. He admitted cashing the check but denied forging the indorsement. He was returned to Akron, given a hearing, and bound over to the Grand Jury to await trial.

C. W. CRANDALL, who succeeded in defrauding a member bank at Dickinson, N. D., by means of a mortgage swindle, was located at Owosso, Mich., by our detective agents, his arrest following. He has since been returned to Dickinson, N. D., and is now in the Stark County Jail, awaiting trial. Crandall is described as follows: 35 years of age, 5 feet 10 inches, 150 pounds, slender build, gray eyes, very thick light brown hair parted in the middle.

CLARENCE EDWARDS, alias J. B. Pate, was arrested at the request of our detective agents on March 31, 1918, after it had been ascertained that he had defrauded a member bank in Miami, Okla., by means of a forged check. He is 20 years, 5 feet 8 inches, 150 pounds; has medium complexion, gray eyes and medium dark hair.

C. L. GALT. A bank member of Washington, D. C., reports having been defrauded by means of a forged check on their customer's account. Galt was employed by a local merchant and secured his employment as a soda water clerk in response to a newspaper advertisement; he was supposedly a native of Philadelphia, Pa. The check in question was cashed for him, principally for the reason that he was known as an employee of this merchant. It was afterwards discovered to be a forgery. A warrant for Galt's arrest has been issued and is in the hands of the Metropolitan Police Department, Washington, D. C. Our local detective agents were advised that on May 15, 1918, Galt was arrested in New Haven, Conn., for the New York city authorities, at which point he is wanted for a fraudulent transaction, the nature of which we are not aware of at this time. The Washington authorities will be advised, and will doubtless lodge their warrant with the New York police.

N. E. GROSS, negro, caused a Lake Providence, La., member to suffer a loss on a forged check, the transaction taking place on December 6, 1917. Recently one N. E. Gross of Pinebluff, Ark., was placed under arrest charged with having passed the forged check. Gross is now being held awaiting trial.

THEODORE HAWKINS, alias J. C. Brown (negro). Early in January a Birmingham, Ala., member bank reported to our local detective agents that they had suffered a loss on a check bearing the forged signature of one of their depositors. Upon checking through the cancelled vouchers and comparing handwriting, it became evident to our agents that one Theodore Hawkins had perpetrated the forgery. Hawkins was then living at Ensley, Ala., having come there about six months previous from Florida, and was the pastor of an Ensley

church. A representative of our detective agents then placed the evidence we had before the chief of police at Birmingham, who instructed one of his men, then in Ensley, to arrest Hawkins. This arrest was effected on January 10, 1918. On January 26, Hawkins was given a preliminary trial and held over to the grand jury under bond. His description is as follows: 42 to 45 years, 5 feet 8½ inches, 145 to 150 pounds, medium build, "grayish black" complexion, dark eyes, black kinky hair, Chaplin mustache; has saber cut on hand.

JOSEPH JACKSON, alias J. E. Malone, etc., is under arrest at Dickson, Tenn., charged with defrauding a local member with checks bearing the forged signature of one of their prominent merchants. An official of the bank in question should receive credit for this individual's arrest, as his suspicions were the direct cause of Jackson's present troubles. After Jackson secured funds on one of his checks from this member the official remembered his actions and finally called the merchant whose name had been used and from him learned that the checks were forgeries. This bank employee immediately took steps which eventually caused Jackson to be arrested by the railroad police. Our agent's representative, upon appearing on the scene, secured a confession from the operator which implicated others, and at the present time the leads secured from this confession are being run out in the hope of making further arrests. Jackson is described as 27 years, 5 feet 8 inches, 157 pounds, complexion is fair, but inclined to be ruddy, has hazel eyes, dark chestnut hair, two moles on right side of cheek above each other about 1 inch apart.

EVERETT D. LEWIS, alias J. C. Martell, defrauded a Chelsea, Mass., member on a forged check. The check in question was deposited in the United States Trust Company of Boston, Mass., by the operator who was allowed to draw against it. When the Chelsea bank received the check, they paid on it, the forgery not being discovered until the depositor's account was balanced. One Everett D. Lewis was suspected by our detective agents, and though the bank teller could not identify Lewis as Martell, our agents still believed that he was the guilty party. They gathered more evidence to show that Lewis was Martell, and when convinced, confronted Lewis with the evidence. After some questioning, he admitted that he had written the check, forged the signature, deposited it in the Boston bank, and secured the money. He was then placed under arrest, and held awaiting trial.

JOHN A. LOGAN. By forging the signature of his employer to several checks and securing the funds on same, Logan victimized a Dallas, Texas, member bank. As Logan held a position of trust with his employer, he did not experience difficulty in securing access to the papers, where he was able to make a tracing of his employer's signature. He then made purchases from various merchants, using his forged check and securing the change in cash. The bank, upon receiving these checks through the clearings, paid upon them before they discovered the fraud. Our detective agent's representative at Dallas, after a short investigation, located Logan and aided by the local authorities, effected his arrest. This operator is described as 27 years, 6 feet 1 inch, 150 pounds, slender build, has dark complexion; two middle front teeth discolored.

ROY McCABE. This party called on a member bank in San Francisco, representing himself as a wealthy mining promoter of Canada, making a large deposit of drafts on Canadian banks. While the cashier was out to lunch he returned and presented a \$500 check against his account. However, the paying teller took the precaution to look up the check and, upon advising McCabe that he would be compelled to wait until returns were received on his items, he hurriedly

left the bank. The matter was reported to our detective agents, with the result that McCabe was later apprehended and confined in jail awaiting trial. McCabe is described as: 27 years, 5 feet 7 inches, 145 pounds, brown hair, blue eyes, dark complexion, brown mustache.

FORGED PAY CHECKS

ELMER M. McDONALD, alias A. Benson, etc. A member bank of Newark, N. J., reported to our agents as having been victimized through paying on checks received through the clearing house which afterward proved to be forgeries.

Just outside of Newark the government is doing considerable construction work. One of the contractors thus engaged recently returned to the member bank several of their pay checks which bore the forged signature of two of their officials. After a long-drawn-out investigation a former assistant paymaster was suspected. The Federal authorities, who were co-operating with our agents, took up this angle and after confronting Elmer McDonald, the suspect, with identifying witnesses he broke down and confessed. This man is now being held awaiting trial. It has been ascertained that McDonald has a prison record for similar transactions. An article under the alias of Joe Stutz was published in the April, 1918, JOURNAL Supplement.

FRANK E. McCULLOUGH. During January, 1918, our special representative at Atlanta, Ga., was advised by a Brunswick, Ga., member bank that they had just discovered a forgery in a note discounted by them. Before an investigator could get to Brunswick, our Atlanta representative was notified that the operator, one Frank E. McCullough, had been arrested by the local authorities.

THOMAS W. MOORE. Through the efforts of a representative of our Los Angeles detective agents and the local police we are able to report the arrest of Moore, who defrauded a local member by means of a worthless check. Moore's chief occupation was that of an oil salesman, but evidently he was not sufficiently paid for his services to enable him to meet the expenses of his high living. He is described as 35 years, 5 feet 8 inches, 165 pounds, dark hair and complexion; large scar across one ear. California Bankers Association co-operated in financing this investigation.

JOHN NEMANICH, alias John Nemonic. A member bank of Bridgeville, Pa., reported to our Pittsburgh detective agents that they had sustained a loss on a check in a small amount bearing a forged indorsement. An investigation was made and suspicion was directed toward one John Nemanich, a local man employed in the coal mines. Specimens of the latter's handwriting were secured and it became evident that he had indorsed the check in question. On April 24, 1918, Nemanich was arrested, having been located by our detective agents' representative at the mine in which he was working. After his arrest he confessed to having forged the indorsement and secured funds on the check. The date of Nemanich's hearing was set as April 26. He is described as being 27 years, 5 feet 7 inches, 160 pounds; has brown eyes and black hair; is of Austrian nationality and not a citizen of the United States.

STELLA PAUL is at the present time under arrest at Hopewell, Va., charged with forgery. Mrs. Paul, who is separated from her husband, endeavored to secure funds on checks bearing her former husband's signature. She was successful in defrauding a local member who honored one of the checks; they are pushing the charges against her.



CLINTON RUSSEL PALMER

CLINTON RUSSEL PALMER, alias C. R. Palmer, victimized a Pueblo, Colo., member bank during last December by means of a worthless check in a small amount. During January he was arrested and confined in the County Jail at Casper, Wyo.

JACOB RAYVIDE. In the October, 1916, JOURNAL Supplement we published an article concerning this individual wherein we enumerated as to how he operated. Through information received from the Minneapolis representatives our local agents located Rayvide's family, and after sixteen months' waiting this operator called at his home, whereupon he was placed under arrest. He is now being held for the Minneapolis police.

WM. RYAN, alias W. M. Erickson. In the January JOURNAL Supplement we published an article concerning this operator, in which we gave the details of his transaction, by which means he was able to defraud a Chicago member bank. Just recently Ryan was recognized in Kansas City, Mo., his arrest following at the hands of the local authorities.

NIKOLA SCHAROFF, alias Nikola Vartanoff, alias Sharcasoff. Last October this individual defrauded a Los Angeles member by means of a forged check. Our local agents made a short investigation, the expenses of same being prorated with the California Bankers Association, but were unsuccessful in locating the operator. Recently our agents learned that this man had been arrested for non-support. They interviewed him and were successful in securing a confession. Scharoff is 25 years of age, 5 feet 10 inches, 182 pounds, brown hair and eyes, medium complexion, broad nose and thick lips.

A. S. SERAFINE, alias B. H. Fertita, alias Leon Levy, etc. This man caused a Beaumont, Texas, member bank to suffer a loss on checks bearing the forged signature of a depositor. The operator was a local man known personally to an official of the interested bank; when the forgeries were discovered he and a deputy sheriff immediately proceeded to Houston, from which point the last check had come through, and located the operator. Serafine was at Ellington Field, he having enlisted and been accepted. The deputy confronted him with the evidence, whereupon he admitted the entire transaction. Serafine has been returned to Beaumont, where he is now in jail awaiting trial.

MRS. STELLA THOMPSON, alias Mrs. Walter Thompson, negress, defrauded a member bank of Alton, Ill., by forging the name of a customer to four checks in small amounts and securing the money on them. Our detective agents made an investigation and established the identity of the operator, but as she denied her guilt it was thought best not to arrest her until she had been indicted by the grand jury. Later Mrs. Stella Thompson was indicted, arrested and

arraigned for trial. She entered a plea of not guilty and the case was continued until the next term of court in September.

WALTER THOMAS, negro. A member bank of Baltimore, Md., cashed two checks bearing the forged indorsement of the proprietor of a local hotel, thereby sustaining a loss. Our detective agents in that city were notified, and were successful in locating the responsible party, Walter Thomas, and



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effecting his arrest. Thomas was the bell boy, employed at the hotel, who had been given the checks in question to deposit; instead, he forged the indorsements, secured cash and made a false entry in the depositor's pass book. Thomas is now being held awaiting trial.

PERRY TILLER. Recently we were advised by a Honaker, Va., member bank that they had suffered a loss on two checks in small amounts, which bore forged signatures. The Pittsburgh office of our detective agents detailed a representative to work on this case. During the latter's investigation in Honaker and the vicinity suspicion was directed toward one Perry Tiller, who had left for Kentucky about ten days previous. A specimen of this man's handwriting was secured, and because of the similarity between that writing and the writing on the forged check, and other circumstances, our agents' representative became convinced that Perry Tiller was the man wanted. He and a deputy sheriff of Honaker then proceeded to Keiser, Ky., and located Tiller, who agreed to return with them to Honaker without extradition papers. Upon arriving in Honaker Perry Tiller admitted he was the one who had perpetrated the forgeries.

AUTOMOBILE SALESMAN TURNS FORGER

G. N. TURNER, while engaged as a salesman for an automobile concern, successfully operated against a Strong, Ark., member bank by means of a bogus check, thereby causing them to sustain a small loss. Our agents in tracing Turner's movements finally located him at Hamburg, Ark.; the local sheriff was advised of this fact and in company with our agents' representative he placed him (Turner) under arrest.

REMOVED

WALTER H. APPLETON, who during April attempted to defraud a bank member at Greenfield, Mass., through the medium of a raised bank book, was recently discharged in that city for want of jurisdiction.

JOHN J. BURTON, JR. (true name, Jos. J. Blaicher), was sentenced to the Arizona State Penitentiary from Prescott, Ariz., on March 15, 1918, for a term of not less than 5 nor more than 14 years.

KONSTANTZ CHRUL, mentioned on another page of this issue, was released from custody in Akron, Ohio, as the grand jury failed to indict him.

C. W. CRANDALL has been released from custody, a settlement having been made. This action was taken due to the fact that Crandall has a wife and three small children, whom the county was taking care of, and it was deemed best by all parties concerned to allow a settlement to be made.

CLARENCE EDWARDS pleaded guilty of forgery in Miami, Okla., and was sentenced to 2 years in the State Penitentiary, McAlester, Okla. The judge then paroled him to his father during good behavior, and later he made full restitution to the interested bank.

F. P. FAULKNER has been convicted of forgery on three separate counts in Fresno, Cal., and on April 8, 1918, was sentenced to from 1 to 14 years in the State Prison at San Quentin, Cal.

THOMAS G. GAYLORD entered a plea of guilty to a charge of forgery, and on March 27, 1918, was given an indeterminate sentence of from 1 to 20 years in the State Penitentiary at Columbus, Ohio.

HARRY GROSS has failed to appear for trial in Columbus, Ohio, his bonds have been forfeited, and he is now a fugitive from justice.

J. W. HARRINGTON, alias Frank Wheeler, who some time ago defrauded a member at Ocean Springs, Miss., by means of a series of worthless checks, posing as the Rev. J. W. Harrington, was arrested by the local authorities in Omaha, Neb., November 22 last, for passing several forged checks in that city. He was held to the district court under \$750 bond. On January 17, 1918, the case was nulled and Wheeler was sent back to an insane asylum in Iowa at Clarinda.

THEODORE HAWKINS' case was called for trial on April 24, 1918, in Birmingham, Ala., but he failed to put in his appearance. When the sheriff went to Hawkins' home to



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investigate, he learned that Hawkins had left for parts unknown. The Birmingham authorities are now looking for this operator as a fugitive from justice.

CLIFFORD KIRBY. On January 28, 1918, this operator was sentenced to serve a term in the State Reformatory, Mansfield, Ohio, for forgery.

EMIL KOCKER, who was arrested on July 9, 1917, was, on April 24, 1918, in Jersey City, N. J., found guilty of uttering a worthless check, and sentenced to 18 months in the County Penitentiary. This is the first conviction of a known member

of the "Cash Gang" forgers, who are working on a large scale in New York city. The result in this case was obtained through the able assistance and co-operation of Post Office Inspectors Schaeffer and Pollett, located at New York city.

E. D. LARSEN, who was arrested May 23, 1917, and who was held in the County Jail from then until some time during September, 1917, for the reason that he could not furnish bond, has been released from custody, due to the fact that he has made full restitution, and it has been decided not to press charges at this time.

EVERETT D. LEWIS was arraigned in Boston, Mass., on April 24, 1918, and pleaded guilty to a charge of having defrauded a Chelsea, Mass., member bank through the medium of a forged check; inasmuch as this was Lewis' first offense, and as his employer agreed to look after his future conduct, the court ordered that restitution be made and the case placed on file, Lewis being released on probation.

E. W. LONG was brought up for sentence in Los Angeles, Cal., on April 26, 1918, and inasmuch as this was Long's first offense, it was decided to use leniency. He was sentenced to 1 year on probation.

P. K. MARTIN (true name, Frank O. Sincafoose) has been returned to the Federal Penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kan., to complete his sentence. This man violated his parole from that institution.

JAMES M. McCLURE, who defrauded a Brooklyn, Iowa, member by means of a forged check, has been sentenced to serve 15 years in the State Reformatory at Anamosa, Iowa; on January 25, 1918, he was taken to that institution.

FRANK E. McCULLOUGH has been convicted on a charge of forgery in Brunswick, Ga., and sentenced to the chain gang for 5 years.

JOHN NEMANICH has been released, the bank having been reimbursed in the amount of their loss. This action was taken due to the operator being a laboring man, and his family being in great need of the money earned by him.

J. T. O'NEIL. The first part of last October O'Neil was sentenced on a charge of forgery to serve 6 months in the County Jail, New Haven, Conn.

ARTHUR F. OSWALD, who was arrested in Los Angeles, Cal., on a charge of issuing worthless checks, was sentenced on April 16, 1918, to 1 month at the Psychopathic Ward of the County Hospital, after which he is to be sent to the Patten Farm for 1 year.

IVAN PAVLAVITZ, who was arrested at Akron, Ohio, on a charge of forgery, has been released, due to the fact that no indictment was returned against him.

JAMES E. SHELDON, through whose fraudulent activities, by means of a mortgage swindle, a member in Leesburg, Fla., sustained a loss some time ago, has been discharged from custody when his father came to his rescue, making good the losses sustained through his son's financial schemes.

DAVID SIMON was given an indeterminate sentence on December 26, 1917, and sent to the State Penitentiary, Columbus, Ohio.

P. STEIN, whose name has been carried on the "Awaiting Trial" list for some time, has been released, there not being sufficient evidence to convict.

ROBERT E. ST. CLAIR has been sentenced on a charge of forgery to serve from 1 to 14 years in the State Prison at San Quentin, Cal.

G. H. WILLIAMS, arrested in Lake Village, Ark., and returned to Lake Providence, La., has been released, due to the fact that he could not be identified as the one who had passed the forged check in question.

WALTER THOMAS, a negro, pleaded guilty before Judge Dobler in the Criminal Court of Baltimore, Md., on May 8, 1918, and sentence was suspended.

C. J. WHITE, alias J. L. Barnes, held in Monrovia, Cal., on a forgery charge, has been released, and the member bank has been reimbursed.

AWAITING ACTION

ALLEGED FORGERIES AND SWINDLES

Anderson, W. M., bogus checks, Galveston, Tex.
 Bacon, Floyd C., forgery, Conneaut, Ohio.
 Barker, Charles H., forgery, Pontiac, Ill.
 Barter, E. N., worthless checks, Lewiston, Me.
 Baughman, A. H., swindle, Tulsa, Okla.
 Bazinet, William, forgery, Lewiston, Me.
 Beasley, Ward B., forgery, Chicago, Ill.
 Benson, Fred, forgery, Elgin, Ill.
 Bland, W. F., bogus certificate of deposit, Yale, Okla.
 Blankman, David, forgeries, Boston, Mass.
 Boxley, P. H., bogus certificate of deposit, Hugo, Okla.
 Boze, H. E., forgery, Yakima, Wash.
 Brock, J. A., forgery, Antlers, Okla.
 Brown, Pearl, forgery, Watertown, S. D.
 Buchanan, Frances, forgery, Pontiac, Ill.
 Buckley, J. W., forgery, Portland, Ore.
 Burger, Otto, forgery, Chester, Pa.
 Campbell, George, forgery, Beckley, W. Va.
 Campbell, R. W., forgery, Greensburg, S. C.
 Carter, Dave, forgery, Houston, Texas.
 Casale, Frank P., bogus checks, St. Louis, Mo.
 Chippenfield, Austin B., forgery, Moundsville, W. Va.
 Churchill, Roy, forgery, Amarillo, Texas.
 Cogswell, A. J., forgery, New York, N. Y.
 Colley, R. B., bogus checks, Jackson, Miss.
 Collum, Belle, forgery, Yazoo City, Miss.
 Colwell, H. H., forgery, Plainville, Texas.
 Comstock, W. J., forged indorsement, Detroit, Mich.
 Cooper, C. S., worthless checks, Los Angeles, Cal.
 Cunningham, F. J., Mrs., forgery, Miami, Fla.
 Cunningham, Lloyd V., bogus checks, New Orleans, La.
 Daniel, Russell, forgery, Oklahoma City, Okla.
 Deeds, Fayette M., forgery, New Orleans, La.
 Denly, A. C., forgery, Belsoni, Miss.
 Du Bois, L. E., forgery, Kansas City, Mo.
 Du Pars, Maurice, bogus checks, Philadelphia, Pa.
 Easters, Kilby, forgery, Johnson City, Tenn.
 Easterbrook, Gus, forgery, Alexandria, La.
 Edgington, H. B., worthless check, Humboldt, Iowa.
 Evans, H. R., bogus certificate of deposit, Ada, Okla.
 Faith, James, forgery, Corona, N. Mex.
 Ford, Homer Palmore, raised checks, Portland, Ore.
 Ford, Roger Fletcher, swindle, Los Angeles, Cal.
 Frey, Harry, forgery, Des Moines, Iowa.
 Galt, C. L., forgery, New York City, N. Y.
 Garnett, Chas. H., bogus certificate of deposit, Ada, Okla.
 Garrett, P. R., mortgage swindle, Duncan, Okla.
 Gibson, Jr., Charles, bogus checks, Willits, Cal.
 Giroux, Carl L., forgery, New York City, N. Y.
 Goble, V. R., forged notes, Concordia, Mo.
 Goode, W. H., mortgage swindle, Edmond, Okla.
 Goodyear, W. P., swindle, Cedar Rapids, Ia.
 Gordon, J. C., forgery, Tulsa, Okla.
 Green, Frank F., bogus drafts, Bowling Green, Ky.

Gross, N. E. (negro), forgery, Providence, La.
 Gunder, P. A., forgery, Waterloo, Iowa.
 Hansen, Robert, forgery, San Francisco, Cal.
 Heard, H. C., bogus checks, Bend, Ore.
 High, Dan, forgery, Tulsa, Okla.
 Hightower, Earnest S., worthless check, Des Moines, Iowa.
 Hix, J. S., bogus certificate of deposit, Ada, Okla.
 Horrigan, J. S., worthless check, Portland, Ore.
 Howard, Felix, forgery, Houston, Texas.
 Hughes, C. K., worthless checks, Beckley, W. Va.
 Ingram, Grace, bogus checks, St. Louis, Mo.
 Jackson, Joseph, forgery, Dickson, Tenn.
 Jones, J. Greeley, bogus certificates of deposit, Ada, Okla.
 Joyner, W. T., forgery, Eldora, Iowa.
 Keiser, Capt. J. C., worthless checks, New Orleans, La.
 Kelley, George, worthless check, Little Rock, Ark.
 Kerdell, Lillian, forgery, Jacksonville, Fla.
 Knapp, Lena M., forgery, Adrian, Mich.
 Laub, Lyle T., bogus checks, Indianapolis, Ind.
 Lieber, L. C., forged indorsement, Los Angeles, Cal.
 Lifer, F., forgery, Jackson, Miss.
 Locke, H. A., bogus certified check, Savannah, Ga.
 Logan, John A., forgery, Dallas, Texas.
 Lorange, Harry, swindle, Houston, Texas.
 Mack, J. W., bogus certificate of deposit, Hugo, Okla.
 Mathews, De Leon, forgery, Lake City, S. C.
 McBrier, J. F., forged indorsement, Beckley, W. Va.
 McCabe, Roy, swindle, San Francisco, Cal.
 McCarthy, Elmore, forgery, Houston, Texas.
 McClair, Herbert L., forgery, Philadelphia, Pa.
 McClanahan, J. A., forged notes, Concordia, Mo.
 McDonald, Elmer M., forgery, Newark, N. J.
 McMillon, T. A., mortgage swindle, Thorndale, Texas.
 Minor, R. A., forgery, Jacksonville, Fla.
 Moore, L. C., forgery, Greeley, Colo.
 Moore, Thomas W., bogus checks, Los Angeles, Cal.
 Mullen, Alexander, Rev., bogus drafts, Marietta, Ga.
 Narver, Alfred Forrest, swindle, Salt Lake City, Utah.
 Nix, Wyatt L., bogus certificate of deposit, Hugo, Okla.
 Noble, Ralph, forgery, Oklahoma City, Okla.
 O'Donnell, Joseph, worthless checks, San Francisco, Cal.
 O'Neil, Walter, bogus certified checks, Schenectady, N. Y.
 Owens, Miles, worthless checks, Portland, Ore.
 Palmer, Clinton Russel, worthless check, Caspar, Wyo.
 Paul, Stella, forgery, Hopewell, Va.
 Persch, Donald, bogus checks, Los Angeles, Cal.
 Peterson, Lawrence, forgery, St. Louis, Mo.
 Pettit, Waittie, mortgage swindle, Chelsea, Okla.
 Phippin, Oscar, forgery, Delmar, Del.
 Plunkett, John Francis, swindle, St. Bernard, Ohio.
 Rayvide, Jacob, forgery, Minneapolis, Minn.
 Rembert, Julius, forgery, Houston, Texas.
 Robinette, I. T., Mt. Hope, W. Va.
 Rollison, C. A., raised check, Waycross, Ga.
 Roth, Homer F., bogus check, Goshen, Ind.
 Runnells, York, forgery, Houston, Texas.
 Ryan, Wm., forgery, Chicago, Ill.
 Sanden, Fred, forgery, Cut Bank, Mont.
 Scharoff, Nikola, forgery, Los Angeles, Cal.
 Scott, Walter A., forgery, Pasco, Wash.
 Searle, Mildred, forgery, Denver, Colo.
 Serafine, A. S., forgery, Beaumont, Texas.
 Sevier, A. H., forged note, Wichita, Kan.
 Sexton, O. A., bogus checks, Tulsa, Okla.
 Sexton, Stanley, bogus checks, Tulsa, Okla.

Shoe, George B., forgery, Akron, Ohio.
 Smith, Leroy C., forgery, Highland Park, Ill.
 Stewart, D. A., mortgage swindle, Burkburnett, Texas.
 Strong, Charles E., worthless checks, Binghamton, N. Y.
 Stuart, J. F., bogus checks, Americus, Ga.
 Sullivan, John J., worthless check, Cambridge, Mass.
 Sweeney, Frank E., worthless checks, El Paso, Tex.
 Taylor, J. B., attempted swindle, Los Angeles, Cal.
 Thompson, Mrs. Stella, forgery, Alton, Ill.
 Tiller, Perry, forgery, Honaker, Va.
 Turner, G. N., bogus checks, Strong, Ark.
 Van Leuven, Bert, worthless check, Salina, Kan.
 Walger, Henry A., forgery, Wallis, Texas.
 Wanetick, Harry, raised checks, Cleveland, Ohio.
 Ward, Erret, forged drafts, Wichita Falls, Texas.
 Warner, Lon, mortgage swindle, Higgins, Texas.
 Watkins, Jack, forgery, Houston, Texas.
 Weil, M. L., worthless draft, Elko, Nev.
 Wells, L. Reese, forged letter of credit, Kansas City, Mo.
 Willis, G. S., bogus check, Brooksville, Fla.
 Willman, John W., forged note, Duluth, Minn.
 Winters, M. E., attempted swindle, Wichita Falls, Texas.
 Wisdom, G. C., bogus certificate of deposit, Cushing, Okla.
 Woods, Mingo, forgery, Houston, Texas.
 Young, Ng, forgery, San Francisco, Cal.
 Young, Willie, bogus checks, Columbus, Tex.

BURGLARS AND HOLD-UP ROBBERS

Bennett, Miles E., hold-up, San Francisco, Cal.
 Bergens, J. W., robbery and murder, Point, Texas.
 Carter, Charlie, alleged bank robber, Point, Texas.
 Corsiglia, Joe, hold-up, San Francisco, Cal.
 Embry, Jack, hold-up, Glenwood, Ark.
 Frazier, Archie, hold-up, San Francisco, Cal.
 Frazier, Thomas, hold-up, San Francisco, Cal.
 Hamilton, Al, hold-up, San Francisco, Cal.
 Hester, Wm., burglary, DeQueen, Ark.
 Lewis, Carl, hold-up, Huttig, Ark.
 McKinney, Calvin, robbery, Crowder, Okla.
 Marvin, Harold, robbery, Oronogo, Mo.
 Mitchell, William, hold-up, Taylor, Mo.
 Quattlebaum, Arthur, robbery, El Paso, Ark.
 Quattlebaum, Sid, robbery, El Paso, Ark.
 Rankin, Iola, suspected hold-up, Hugo, Okla.
 Smith, Frank, hold-up, Heavener, Okla.
 Von Walden, Edwin, hold-up, Madisonville, Ohio.
 Warnix, John, burglary, DeQueen, Ark.
 Warnix, Enoch, burglary, DeQueen, Ark.
 Wilson, J. B., burglary, New Holland, Ill.

STATISTICS OF THE PROTECTIVE DEPARTMENT

| | Awaiting trial August 31, 1917 | Arrested since August 31, 1917 | Arrests in May, 1918 | Total | Convicted | Discharged or acquitted | Fugitive, escaped, insane or died | Awaiting trial |
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| Forgers..... | 108 | 253 | 31 | 284 | 165 | 67 | 15 | 145 |
| Burglars..... | 4 | 3 | 1 | 4 | 4 | | | 4 |
| Hold-up robbers..... | 24 | 22 | 1 | 23 | 22 | 7 | | 17 |
| Sneak thieves..... | | 1 | | 1 | | 1 | | |
| Total..... | 136 | 279 | 33 | 312 | 191 | 75 | 15 | 166 |

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